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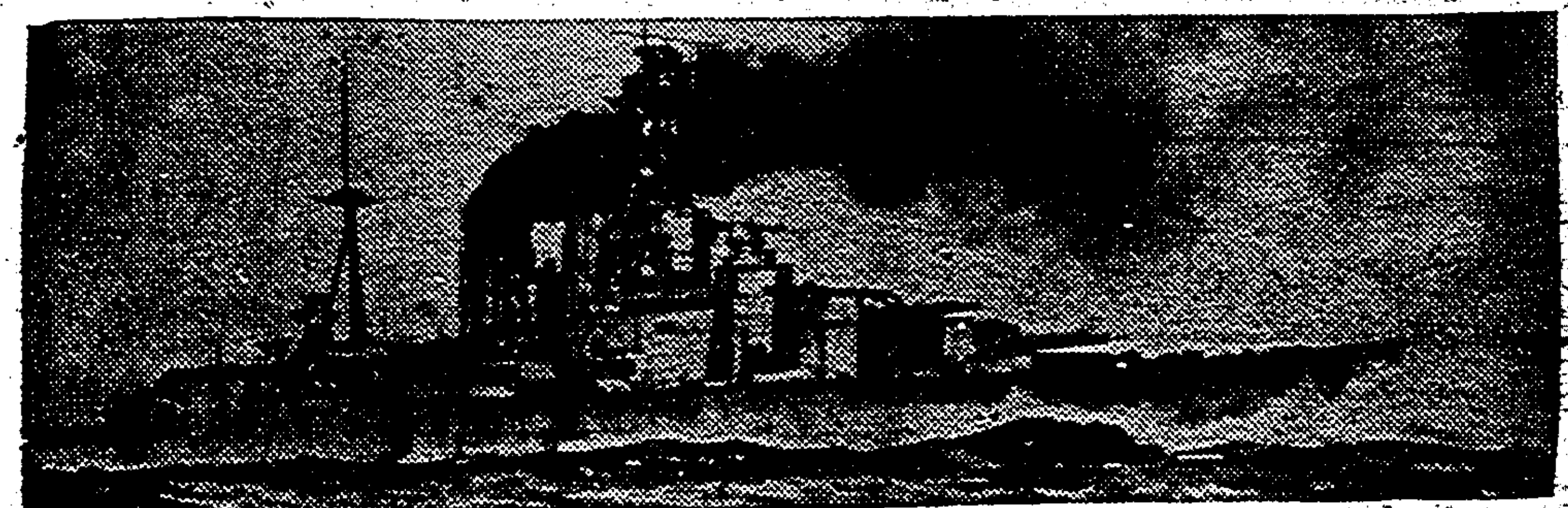
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GIBRALTAR, TO-DAY.

ONE SAILOR WAS KILLED AND SEVERAL INJURED YESTERDAY IN A TRAGIC ACCIDENT ON BOARD BRITAIN'S MIGHTIEST BATTLE-CRUISER, H.M.S. "HOOD."

One of the hawsers by which the huge warship was moored suddenly snapped, bowling over the men on deck like ninepins.—Trans-Ocean.

MALAYA'S DAMAGE

London, To-day.

The British battleship, H.M.S. "Malaya," which recently collided with a Netherlands steamer in the Mediterranean, arrived at Devonport yesterday to dock for repairs.

The damage is reported to have been more serious than at first thought and the warship may have to remain in dock for several months.—Trans-Ocean.

LIU LU YING'S TRIAL

Hankow, To-day.

Mr. Liu Lu-ying, C.E.C. member charged with instigation of two cases of assassination, is to be tried at the Hupeh district court instead of the high court.

This is because the case is regarded as one of ordinary murder.

The date of the trial has not yet been fixed.—Reuter.

SHANGHAI TRAM STRIKE OVER

Shanghai, To-day.

Seven hundred tramway repairmen returned to work this morning following the example of the motormen and conductors yesterday.

The decision to resume work was taken on the advice of the Chinese authorities.—Reuter.

DR. WANG CHUNG-HUI SWORN IN

Nanking, To-day.

Dr. Wang Chung-hui, the new Foreign Minister, was formally sworn into office this morning.—Reuter.

Addis Ababa Bomb Plot Rumours

Rome, To-day.

Reports are appearing in the foreign press that the head of the Coptic Church in Abyssinia has been executed following the unsuccessful attempt on the life of the Viceroy, Marshal Graziani.

This is stoutly denied in an official announcement made yesterday.—Trans-Ocean.

Jerusalem Tension Relaxes

Jerusalem, To-day.

Tension which followed disturbances on Saturday, in which one Arab was shot dead and a Jew and Arab seriously wounded, slackened yesterday.

Curfew, which was proclaimed on Saturday night, has been repealed and the situation is becoming more normal.

It is emphasised that yesterday's incidents were isolated outrages against which all sections of the population are indignant.—Reuter.

DRIZZLE OR MIST

The Royal Observatory reports that the anti-cyclone is increasing slowly in intensity and now covers the whole of China. Local forecast: —N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy with drizzle or mist.

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Bomb Explosion On French Train

Paris, To-day.

A bomb explosion on an express from Marseilles to the Spanish frontier wrecked an entire coach yesterday.

THE TRAIN HAD JUST HALTED AT A STATION WHEN A HUGE EXPLOSION OCCURRED IN ONE OF THE REAR CARRIAGES, WHICH IMMEDIATELY BURST INTO FLAMES.

All passengers had, fortunately, been taken into custody. Earlier yesterday another bomb was discovered in the garden of the Spanish consulate at Perpignan.—Trans-Ocean.

One arrest has been made in connexion with the affair, a Frenchman on the train having

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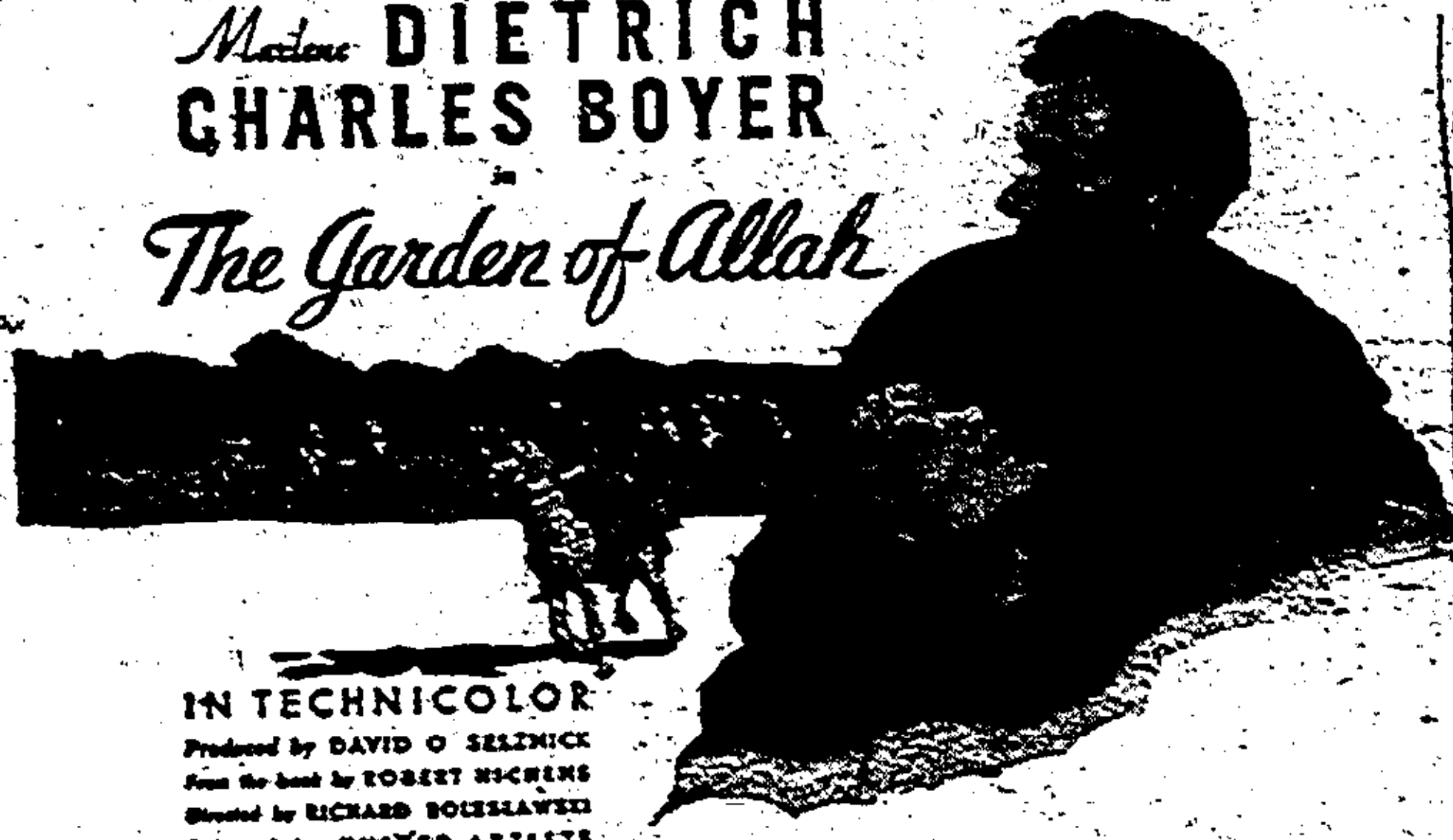
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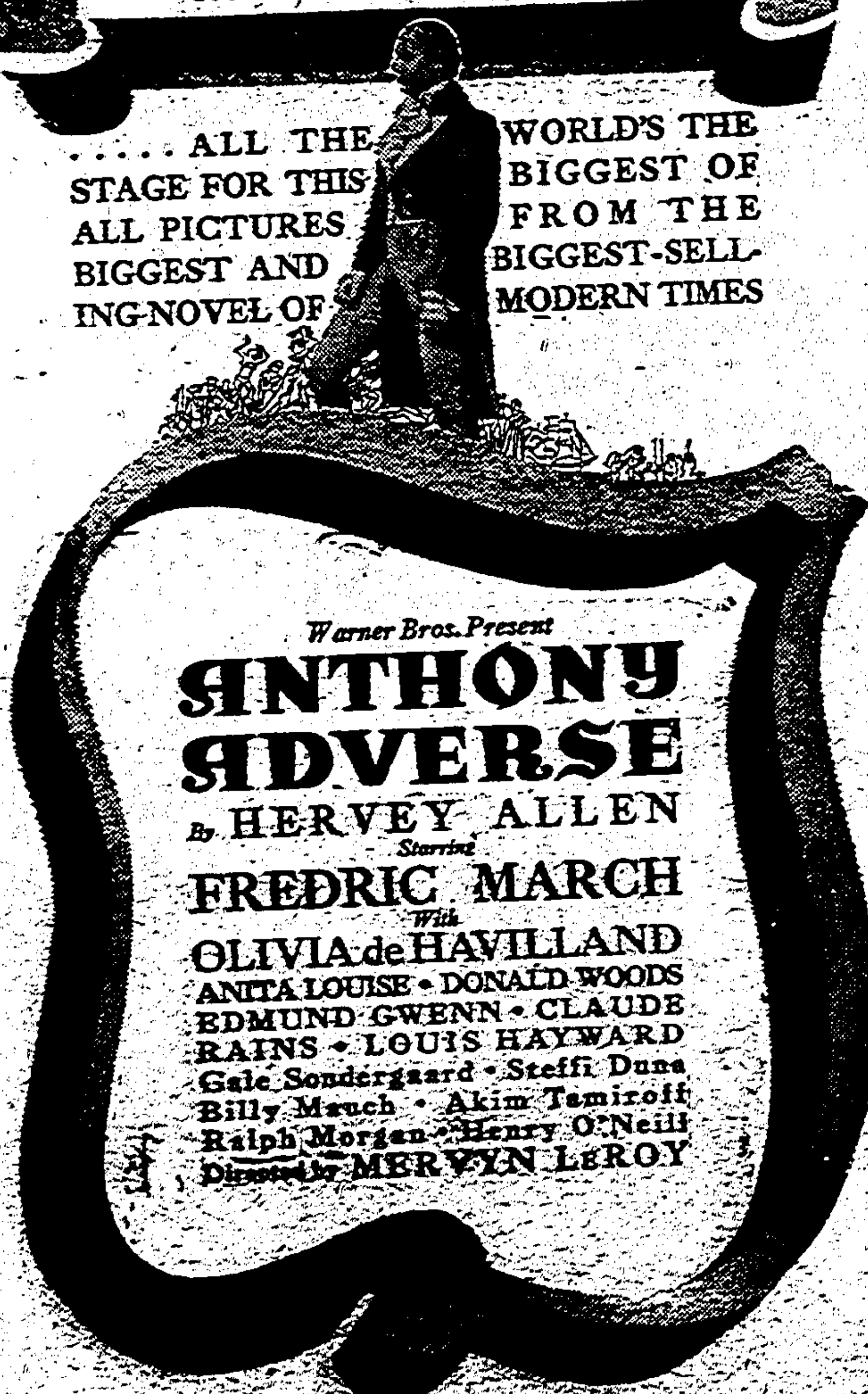
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DR. SCHUSCHNIGG'S HINT ON RESTORATION OF MONARCHY OPPOSED BECAUSE OF WAR DANGER NOT OF DICTATION

PARIS, TO-DAY.

"AUSTRIA WILL SUFFER NO INTERFERENCE IN HER INTERNAL AFFAIRS BY FOREIGN COUNTRIES," DECLARED THE AUSTRIAN CHANCELLOR, DR. KURT SCHUSCHNIGG, IN AN INTERVIEW WITH THE VIENNA CORRESPONDENT OF THE "PARIS SOIR."

The Chancellor declared that Austria would do nothing but that which, in view of the general state of affairs in Europe, could be regarded as just and reasonable.

Nobody, therefore, needed have any ground for uneasiness.

Austria, however, could not consent to allowing any act which bind its whole future being made dependent upon the fluctuations in opinion and variations in the mood of foreign governments.

She must, therefore, decline to permit any interference in its own affairs.

First To Suffer

But over and above that, he continued, it was clear that Austria dare take no initiative that would precipitate a European conflict if even for the reason that in consequence of its geographical position, Austria itself would be the first to suffer from such a conflict.

Although in the foregoing, the question of restoration of the monarchy was not specifically mentioned, it is evident, asserts the paper, that was the chief question to which Dr. Schuschnigg was referring.—Trans-Ocean.

Italy To Celebrate Conquest

Rome, To-day.

Intensive preparations for the celebration of the first anniversary of the conquest of Ethiopia on May 5 are already being made throughout Italy.

One of the chief features of the celebrations, according to the press, will be an impressive military parade in which 7,000 troops of the Italian garrison in East Africa and 2,500 men of the Italian army in Libya will participate.—Trans-Ocean.

BRITAIN MAY HAVE G-MEN SOON

Britain may soon have G-men—a national detective force on similar lines to the famous American anti-vice organisation.

It is being discussed in police circles following the Home Office decision to move Hendon Police College and accommodate recruits from Scottish and provincial forces.

National co-operation is urged to select young men of higher education and showing promise at criminal detection for a body with the roving powers of arrest given the American Federal agent.

£27,000,000-A-YEAR BILL

Often Scotland Yard are not called in immediately in provincial crimes. The suggested force would be under the Director of Public Prosecution, on whose orders it would take over and work in co-operation with the local authority.

Sponsors of the scheme point out that the general cost of crime in this country is £27,000,000 a year, each person charged costing the State £42.

For some time the Home Office has been considering a medico-legal institute in London where pathologists and C.I.D. men would be trained by experts such as Sir Bernard Spilsbury.

BELGIAN LOAN OVER-SUBSCRIBED

Brussels, To-day.

The new Belgian internal loan of 1,500,000,000 francs has been considerably over-subscribed, so that full allotments will be given for amounts up to 500,000 francs.

Subscribers for larger amounts will receive a percentage.—Trans-Ocean.

R.E. Farewell Cabaret Planned

About 250 people attended the Royal Engineers' Old Comrades' Association dance held at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday night, the music being supplied by the Dance Band of the Royal Ulster Rifles.

On April 3, a grand Cabaret will be held in the Peninsula Hotel in the nature of a farewell to non-commissioned officers and men of the Royal Engineers who will be leaving for Home by the Transport on April 16.

The musical arrangements will be under the direction of Mr. E. C. Baker, A.R.C.M., and will include "Wings," the Royal Engineers' March, and "The R.E.'s." The Orchestra will also render "Rhapsody in Blue."

Members of the Seaforth Highlanders will contribute a Guitar Duet and a humorous duo entitled, "Military Sidelights."

Miss Ann Winter, the charming leading lady of "Maid of the Mountains" will give selections from her repertoire.

Other items on the programme include harmony singing by Messrs. H. J. Best, L. Jordan, R. Baldwin and A. Close and a dancing turn.

The Cabaret will include dancing from 8.30 p.m. till 2 a.m. to the music of the Dance Band of the 1st Battalion, the Seaforth Highlanders, by kind permission of Lieut. Col. J. Muirhead, M.C., and officers.

Tables may be booked by applying to L/Cpl. Horne, R.E., Office, Whitfield Barracks.

THE WORLD GOES BY

LANDLORDS are pretty tough customers. And they get nasty about rent quicker than most folks who want their money.

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Lost — A Family Tree

"Lost, early December, near Oxford Circus, a Family Tree. Reward. Write box 9,378, The Times, 72 Regent St. W.I."—Advertisement in the Times.

Has anyone seen my escutcheon? I want to shave in it.

Tonic

"Patentees recently gathered for a reunion dinner in Germany started with a cocktail.

"The cocktail — composed of whisky, port wine, ripe blackcurrants, sugar and water—had been patented by one Friedrich Wilhelm Emil Muller in 1909 as a hair tonic."—Home paper.

So that's what I had the other night.

Love Potion

"In Budapest, Gyoergyi Szabo, an apprentice printer, brooded over the loss of his sweetheart, set up her name in type, swallowed the type."—Home paper.

Did he have a proof pulled first?

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MUCH LEFT UNSETTLED

CONTROL SCHEME DISCUSSION

London, Saturday.

Yesterday's session of the non-intervention committee still left as unsettled a number of important questions, and the opinion is held in some quarters that these matters may not be cleared up when the committee meets again on Monday.

On Monday the full committee is scheduled to meet and approve the entire control plan.

The chief difficulty still appears to be lack of agreement among several nations as to the zones allotted them for patrol.

Britain is reported to be demanding that her control zone on the southern coast of Spain be extended eastwards to the area between Malaga and Almeria, where fighting is at present going on.

Britain also desires control of the Canary Islands.

SOVIET RIGHTS

Another difficulty is the Portuguese refusal to allow Soviet ships entrance to Lisbon to take on control officials.

If the Portuguese action is sustained by the committee it would mean that Russian ships desiring to take on control officials would have to make a long detour to a French port or to Gibraltar.

The Soviet delegate declared that his Government would insist on the same rights granted to other nations.

Appointment of a director of the control activities and two chief inspectors, one for land and one for sea control, will be announced on Monday.

NETHERLANDS DIRECTOR?

It is generally presumed here, however, that the post of director will be given to the Netherlands delegate, Admiral de Graaf, while another Netherlands delegate, Admiral Oliver, is expected to be placed in charge of the four patrolling fleets.

A Dane is expected to be appointed inspector of the land control operations.

It is estimated that following adjustment of all difficulties it will be at least a fortnight before the control plan will be in operation and functioning properly.—Trans-Ocean.

DR. KUNG LEAVING FOR CORONATION

Shanghai, Saturday.

The Chinese Government has appointed Dr. H. H. Kung, Minister of Finance, as the chief delegate to attend the Coronation Ceremony of His Majesty, King George VI.

Dr. Kung will leave Shanghai at the end of the month, and will be away for three months.—Our Own Correspondent.

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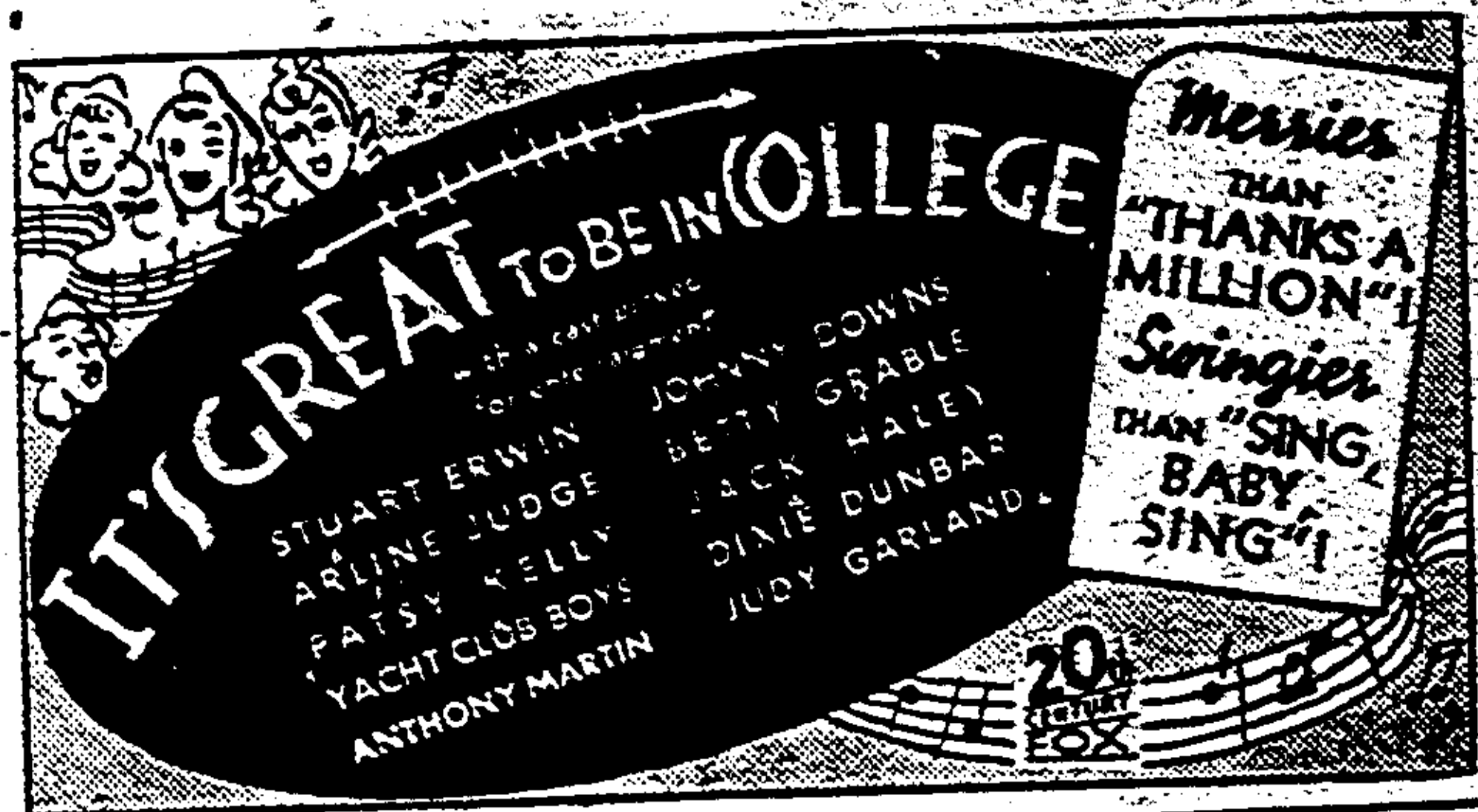
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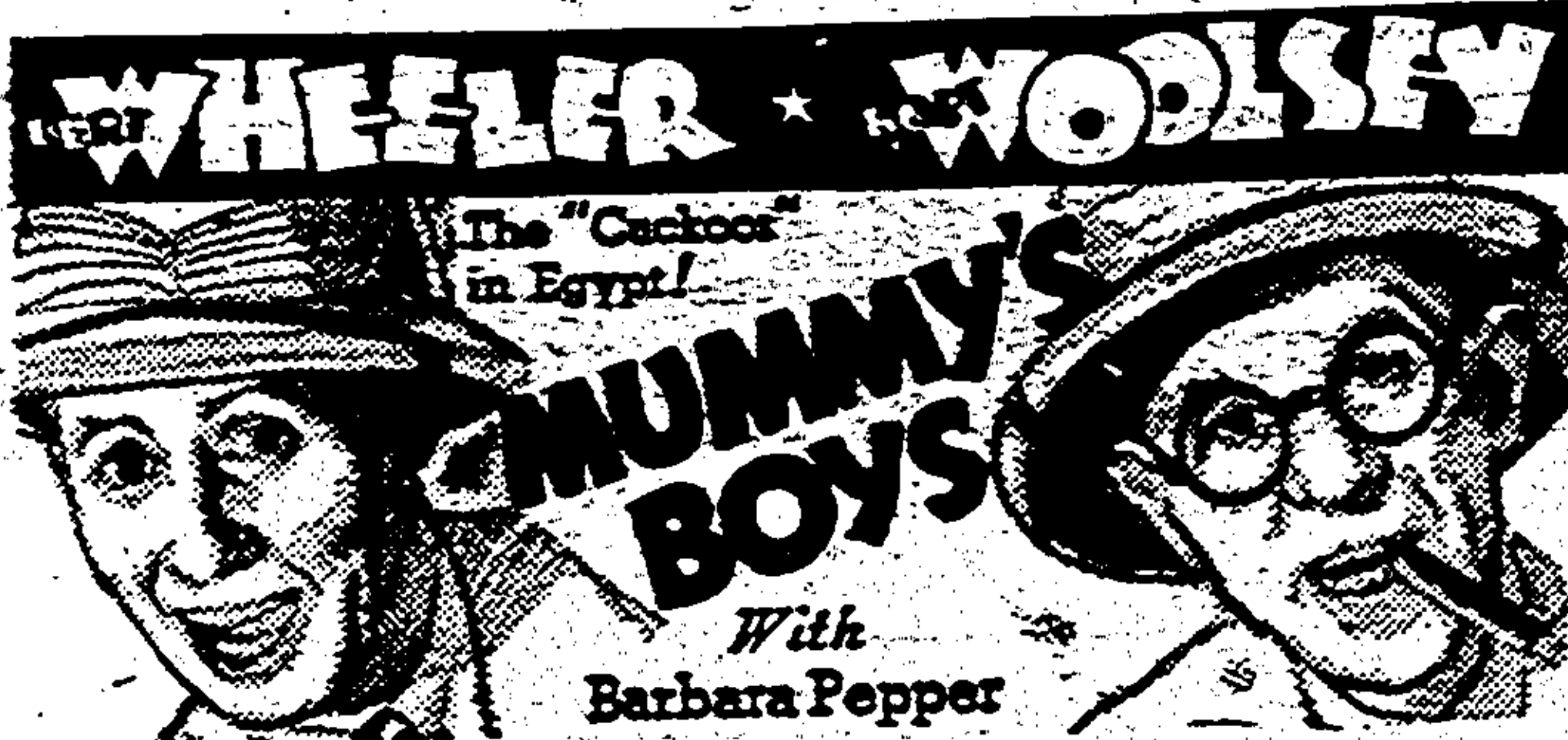
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SHANGHAI BANK ROBBERY SENSATIONAL RAID

Shanghai, March 3.

With daring suggesting a raid by cinematographic gangsters, two gunmen walked into the crowded Nanking Road branch of the Bank of Communications at 11.10 a.m. yesterday and, while one stood guard inside the door, the other went to the rear, leaped over the counter and obtained an estimated \$10,000 in five and ten dollar notes.

On their way out, both robbers fired at an aged watchman sitting near the door, one bullet wounding the man critically in the abdomen.

The men then escaped and vanished in the crowd on Nanking Road.

The robbery, which must have been carefully planned, was carried out expertly in such short time that the 25 employees of the bank and the large number of customers were taken completely by surprise. It was all over in less than three minutes. One ran across Nanking Road and was immediately lost in the maze of alleyways in the district. The other one escaped apparently along Nanking Road, Shanghai's main and busiest thoroughfare, itself.

While the robbers were still on the premises, one of the clerks sounded an alarm at Louza Station by the automatic system used by banks, but although the Police turned out quickly the gunmen had vanished.

WELL-DRESSED MEN

According to eye-witnesses, the two men mingled with the crowd of customers without attracting attention. Both youngish Chinese dressed in foreign-style clothes, one, of medium height and without overcoat, stayed near the door where he could keep an eye on the Chinese watchman seated, under instructions from the management, on a settee a few yards from the entrance. The other robber, who was described as a tall, athletic man wearing a grey topcoat and carrying a wicker basket in one hand, went to the rear and paused at the counter behind which tellers were working with piles of banknotes in front of them.

He hesitated a moment, drew a revolver and gracefully swung himself over the counter as the tellers, clerks and customers gaped in astonishment. He flung the wicker basket onto a desk and demanded that the teller there fill it with banknotes. Impatiently, he helped the terrified youth shove bundles of notes into the basket, then seized it and again cleared the counter. Basket in one hand and revolver in the other, he started for the door. At that moment his confederate, armed with a .32 automatic pistol, fired at the seated watchman at close range.

In a few seconds both men were outside the door, where they separated.

CRITICALLY HIT

The condition of the aged watchman—he never had a chance to draw his own pistol—was reported as critical at the Lester Hospital. He was taken to hospital in a Fire Brigade ambulance.

Detectives, it is understood, obtained detailed descriptions of the two robbers. The crime is considered one of the boldest committed by armed men in the Settle-

DEFENCE PLANS NEARING FULL PRODUCTION

Sir Inskip's
Statement

HASTE COST "TENS
OF MILLIONS"

Sir Thomas Inskip, Minister for the Co-ordination of Defence, made an important reference to the progress of the Government's rearmament programme. He was addressing the Fareham Conservative Association at Fareham, Hants.

"We are now," declared Sir Thomas, "approaching that happy period when everything will be in full production, and I shall have the satisfaction of seeing those things produced in actual concrete reality for which so much painful and laborious preparation has been necessary."

Costly Experiment

He hoped, he said, that we should never again as a nation make the mistake of allowing our defences to fall into a state of disrepair, which he was afraid was the case up to two years ago.

"It was a very costly experiment," went on Sir Thomas. "It was done with the best of motives. From one point of view I do not regret it. We tried to show the world what an honest attempt at disarmament meant."

"We took the risk, but it has cost us millions and tens of millions of money to re-equip the nation in haste, when it would have been much easier to have done it in a regular, methodical way, which would have been possible if it had been done year by year."

Brighter Outlook

"We must think of this business of rearmament not as a sudden spurt for a particular crisis," he added. "I hope the war so much talked about will never come."

"Indeed, I think things are very much brighter to-day than they were when I last addressed you, but, taking the long view, I think that what we want to do is to put our three Services into a proper state of repair, give them the equipment they need, and then not to stop when this panic or crisis is over."

"We want to carry on in a regular businesslike way, keeping the firms upon which we depend alive with a regular flow of orders."

"We are rebuilding the organisation, which ought never to have been allowed to collapse, and I hope we shall maintain that organisation in the years to come without having to go through this painful and expensive process which we are experiencing at the present time."

If they could carry out the Government programme and at the same time let the big firms cultivate their export trade, they would avoid those unhappy consequences with which they had been so familiar in the past.

CORONATION CROWNS

An experimental issue of 50,000 five-shilling pieces is to be made in Australia for the Coronation.

The new coins are intended as Coronation souvenirs, but if they prove popular they will be retained as normal currency. They will be smaller in diameter than the crown still occasionally seen in England, but thicker.

ment in recent months and was perpetrated by men of considerable criminal experience.

Light Hungarian Melodies By Albert Eddy

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European Programme.
12.30—The London Palladium Orchestra.
1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Dance Music and Variety.
1.30—Renter Press: Local: Weather Forecast, Time and Announcements.
1.40 p.m.—Charlie Kunz at the Piano.
2 p.m.—Vocal Gems.
2.15 p.m.—Close Down.
5-8 p.m.—European Programme.
5 p.m.—A Relay of Dance Music from the Roof-Garden of the Hong Kong Hotel.
6.30 p.m.—The B.B.C. Wireless Singers.
Morning Papers—Vocal Waltz (Craig and Strauss).
It was a lover and his lass (Shakespeare and Morley, arr. Bridge)
(a) Where the Bee sucks (Shakespeare and Arne, arr. Shaw)
(b) Come let us join the roundelay (Beale)
6.43 p.m.—The Boston Promenade Orchestra.
"Xerxes" (Handel)—Largo.
"Caucasian Sketches" (Ippolitow-Iwanow)—Procession of the Sardar.
Entry of the Boyards—March (Halvorsen).
Jealousy—Tango Tzigane (Jacob Gade).
7 p.m.—Light Concert Items.
Cello Solos—
Serenade Espagnole (Glazounov).

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Violin Solos—
La fille aux cheveux de lin (Debussy).
Hungarian Dance No. 1 (Brahms—Joachim) Grisha Goluboff.
Soprano Solo—
When a woman smiles (Vivian Ellis).
Goodbye, little dream, goodbye (Cole Porter) Yvonne Printemps.
Duet—
Joshua fit de battle ob Jericho (arr. Brown) Paul Robeson and Lawrence Brown.
7.30 p.m.—Closing local Stock Quotations and Hong Kong Exchange Market Report.
7.35 p.m.—The Hill Billies.
Jump on the wagon.
Susanna from Alabama.
Old Faithful.
7.45 p.m.—From the Studio.
Light Hungarian Melodies by Albert

Eddy (Pianoforte).
8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report and Announcements.
8.03—A Relay from the Po Hing Theatre (Chinese).
11 p.m.—Close Down.
8.05-11 p.m.—European Programme from Z.E.K.
8.05 p.m.—Orchestre Raymonde.
A Musical snuff box (Liadow).
Chanson d'amour (Suk).
By the sleepy lagoon (Coates).
Electric girl (Helmbergh—Holmes).
A night on the waves (Finnish Waltz), (Koskimas).
Delibes in Vienna (arr. Walter).
Berceuse (Jarnaeft).
8.30 p.m.—Musical Comedy Gems.
"Miss Hook of Holland"
Light Opera Company.
"Wild Violets"
Maria Elsner and Martin Kraemer (Duet).
"Mercenary Mary"
Columbia Vocal Gem Chorus.
8.55 p.m.—London—News and Announcements.
9.15 p.m.—A Recital by Luigi Fort (Tenor).
The Pearl Fishers (Zanardini—Bizet).
Faust (Lauzieres—Gounod).
Ay, ay, ay (Perez and Freire).
"Mignon" (Thomas)—Farewell, Mignon.
9.30 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music.
Organ Solo—
Medley of serenades:
Al Bollington.
Fox-Trot—
The Fleet's in Port again.
Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.
Songs—
Have you forgotten so soon?

Jack Hylton, Clapham & Dwyer, Elsie Carlisle

Talking through my heart.
Sam Browne.
Fox-Trot—
Did I remember?
Jack Hylton and His Orchestra.
Song—
Lost my rhythm, lost my music, lost my man.
Dinah Miller.
Fox-Trots—
Darktown Strutters' Ball.
A broken doll.
Darktown Strutters.
Humorous—
A surrealist alphabet.
Clapham and Dwyer.
Fox-Trots—
When the poppies bloom again.
Serenade in the night.
Ambrose and His Orchestra.
Violin Solo—
Melody at dusk.
Albert Sandler.
Fox-Trots—
You.
A pretty girl is like a melody.
Roy Fox and His Orchestra.
Song—
With all my heart.
Elsie Carlisle.
Band—
Ship ahoy march.
Sea songs medley.
Massed Bands of the Royal Marines.
Song—
"Show Boat"—Don't help lovin' dat man.
Marie Burke and the Mississippi Sextette.
10 p.m.—London—Big Ben.
10.32 p.m.—London—Haunting Harmonies by Michael Cole and Bert Marland.
10.45 p.m.—London—"Suggestions for your Book List"—5. A Talk by William Piomer (Electrical Recording).
11 p.m.—Close Down.

BRIDGE NOTES

By ELY CULBERTSON

"Only A Trick"

How many players, I wonder, have troubled to consider the points lost over an appreciable period of time through the occasional dropping of just one trick? The accumulation, I venture to say, would surprise them! In the long run, each lost trick will be found to cost something in the neighbourhood of 250 points. (This is taking into account that, at times, a trick may cost as little as 20 points and, at other times, when a slam is lost that should have been won, well over 1,000 points.) Assuming an average of seven rubbers (which average five hands each) to the session, and further assuming that a player makes only five mistakes (which puts him in the expert class), the loss per session is roughly 1,250 points. Of course, it will be a great deal more if the errors occur on "swing hands." But let us stick to the 1,250; and multiply that sum by the number of sessions played in a year. The result is apt to be a severe headache!

In to-day's hand the declarer dropped "just one trick"—in the play! His bidding was much worse. East, dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

NORTH

S.—K 5 3

H.—9 8 4

D.—7 5 2

C.—K 10 8 5

WEST

S.—10 9

H.—K Q 6 5 3

D.—K 4

C.—Q 9 3 2

SOUTH

S.—A 8 7 4 2

H.—A 7 2

D.—J 10 8 6

C.—6

The bidding:

East	South	West	North
1 diamond	1 spade	2 hearts	2 spades
2 no trump	3 spades	Double	Pass
Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

Most of the bids were of questionable soundness. South's first overcall was none too robust, and the same comment applies to North's free raise. East's free rebid of no trump, also, was on the

shaded side, but it did have the large virtue of advertising the spade stopper and balanced distribution. Had East passed on this round he might have been embarrassed later for the correct bid. South's rebid was inexcusable. After North's spade raise South had excellent defence against a no trump contract, and little reason to think he himself might go game. As a matter of fact had South correctly passed to two no trump West would have been sorely pressed to find the correct game contract. Four hearts could have been made, but it is much more likely that West would have chosen three no trump, which would have been defeated easily. The three spade bid resolved West's difficulty. He simply doubled!

West opened the diamond king and continued with the four. East won and cashed the third diamond trick, after which he led a fourth round to let West kill the declarer's diamond trick with a ruff. West duly ruffed with the nine and the declarer committed the inexcusable (but common) error of overruffing with dummy's king. After that declarer still had to lose two trump tricks, two hearts, and a club. Had he correctly discarded a heart from the dummy while West ruffed the diamond he would have saved 300 points of his absurd 1,100 point "sacrifice."

TO-DAYS QUESTION

Question: What are the requirements for a raise of one no trump to two no trump?

Answer: (a) One and one-half honour tricks in at least two suits, or

(b) One plus honour trick when the strength is divided among three suits and the hand as a whole contains four or more honour cards, or

(c) One plus honour trick in two suits provided the hand contains a five card suit headed by the queen or any higher card, or

(d) One honour trick in the hand with any six card suit if the honour trick is in at least two suits and the six card suit is headed by queen or a higher card.

What's On At the Cinemas

AT THE KING'S—"The Garden of Allah," with Marlene Dietrich, Charles Boyer and Joseph Schildkraut. The immortal love story of Domini and Effendi who flees to the Algerian desert to begin life anew and there meets a handsome Trappist monk who has fled from a Monastery after taking the eternal vows. This time in technicolour.

AT THE MAJESTIC—"The Merry Widow," with Maurice Chevalier and Jeanette MacDonald. The most popular operetta of all times.

AT THE STAR—"Mummy's Boys," with Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey. A pair of amateur archaeologists defy the curse that has already slain ten intruders in the tomb of the Pharaoh Pharaoh.

AT THE ORIENTAL—"Texas Rangers," with Fred MacMurray and Jack Oakie. This picture, the second made by Paramount for Vidor, immortalises the band of men who made Texas safe for the pioneer settlers.

ALHAMBRA THEATRE—"It's Great To Be In College," with Patsy Kelly, Jack Haley and the Yacht Boys. The funniest and fastest football frolic. Lasses and passes, half-backs and wise cracks, and touch-downs.

QUEEN'S THEATRE—"Rainbow On The River," starring Bobby Breen, who

won world-wide acclaim in "Let's Sing Again," who enacts the part of a boy tender with a lonely heart as he pines for the Southland while imprisoned in the unkind atmosphere of an austere grandmother's New York mansion.

COMING PICTURES

"Pennies From Heaven"—with Bing Crosby, Madge Evans, Edith Fellows and Louis Armstrong. The gayest fun-show of the new season. Coming to the King's.

"Craig's Wife"—with Rosalind Russell and John Boles. The Pulitzer Prize play. The story of a woman who lived for the strongest love ever conceived and makes you hate her as you never hated a screen player before. Coming to the King's Theatre.

"China Clipper"—With Pat O'Brien, Beverly Roberts, Ross Alexander, Humphreys Bogart and Henry B. Walthall. A glamorous romance of the air, marking a milestone in the pictorial history of daring American aviation, coming to the King's Theatre.

"Satan Met A Lady"—with Bette Davis, Warren William, Alison Skipworth, Arthur Treacher and Winifred Shaw. A new thriller from the author of "The Thin Man" which will keep you in laughter from start to finish, coming to the King's.



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BRITISH SHIP DECLINES TO STOP

Gibraltar, To-day.
Scarcely a day passes without Spanish insurgent warships detaining foreign vessels.

British ships are among those stopped, though the majority are Danish and Norwegian.

Yesterday the British steamer "Springwear," en route to Spanish ports, was stopped in the Straits of Gibraltar by a rebel trawler and ordered to proceed to Ceuta.

BRITISH SKIPPER DECLINES

The captain, however, refused to comply with the order and steamed rapidly to Gibraltar.

Ships stopped by insurgent patrol vessels are taken to Ceuta, where they are compelled to discharge their cargoes, after which they are later released.

Moorish reinforcements for General Franco's armies continue to arrive at Algeciras from Ceuta twice daily.

ALMERIA ATTACK

The troops are intended for the Malaga front, where, according to well-informed insurgent quarters, General Franco has not yet concentrated sufficient troops for his projected attack on Almeria.

Almeria is reported to have been heavily reinforced by the Government.—Reuter.

KING FAROUK IN SWITZERLAND

Basle, To-day.

A cordial expression of his gratitude at the warm reception he received in Switzerland has been telegraphed to President Motta by King Farouk of Egypt.

King Farouk is in Switzerland in the course of a Continental tour before the Coronation ceremonies in London in May.

President Motta replied expressing the gratification of the Swiss people that the King and his friends had felt so much at home in Switzerland.—Trans-Ocean.

PRODUCE EXHIBITION

Canton, To-day.

The opening of the Produce Exhibition of the four provinces of Kwangtung, Kiangsi, Hupei and Hunan was officiated at by Mr. Sham Hsueh-lei, Secretary-general of the Kwangtung Provincial Government in Canton at 10 a.m. yesterday. The exhibition will last three days, after which it will be held in Nanchang (Kiangsi), Wuchang (Hupei) and Changsha (Hunan) successively.—Our Own Correspondent.

The J.C.J.L. s.s. Tjisadane is leaving for Bali and Java, via Manila, on Tuesday next, and is providing special excursion rates for the round trip.

New public baths at Isleworth and Heston will cost £77,904.

Women And Children Killed On Steamer By Gunfire

VETERAN HERO OF PAPAL GUARD

Passes Away At Age
of 102

Paris, To-day.

A veteran soldier, believed to have been the last survivor of the Papal troops who unsuccessfully defended Rome against the march on the capital of Italian nationalist troops in 1870, died yesterday.

He is Colonel Count Louis de Coutene, who died at Nancy at the age of 102.

Colonel Coutene in 1870 was commander of the Swiss guard at the Vatican, which after a short siege, surrendered to the nationalist army.

After the nationalist success, Count Coutene fled to France, and until his death yesterday had practically never left Nancy.—Trans-Ocean.

KREMLIN CLOSED TO TOURISTS

Assassination Plot
Rumours

Moscow, To-day.

Sightseeing parties are no longer allowed to enter the Kremlin, says an official announcement.

Permits to foreign tourists are only being issued in exceptional cases, and members of the Communist Party must file a written application for a permit.

According to the newspapers, these steps follow the rumours and counter-rumours of the past few weeks over attempts to assassinate Stalin.

In Leningrad, it is reported, five sailors of the Soviet Baltic Fleet have been arrested on a charge of plotting assassination of the Dictator.—Trans-Ocean.

ESPIONAGE IN JAPAN

Military Secrets
Act

Alleging that international espionage is rampant in Japan, the Government has introduced a bill amending the present Military Secrets Act.

A similar measure submitted to the Diet by the former Hirota Cabinet failed to pass as it encountered bitter opposition on the grounds that it would further restrict the already curtailed guarantees of a free press and of freedom of speech provided in the Constitution.

The Army claims that the 40-year-old statute is antiquated and insufficient to safeguard military secrets which are vitally important for national defence.

The Navy is seeking the passage of the bill so as to be able to close to foreign vessels certain territorial water zones of strategic importance.

The s.s. Tjikembang is leaving for Batavia direct at 11 a.m. tomorrow.

TRAWLER SUNK: DESTROYER BADLY DAMAGED

Bayonne, To-day.

Two women and three children were among those killed in a naval action yesterday between Spanish rebel cruisers and loyalist armoured vessels.

THE WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE ON BOARD THE CARGO BOAT "GALDANES," HEADING FOR BILBAO ALLEGEDLY WITH TROOPS AND MUNITIONS FOR THE LOYALISTS.

Escorted by a Government destroyer, the "Jose Luis Diaz" and three armed trawlers and merchantmen, the "Galdanes" was attacked by the rebel cruisers "Almirante Cervera" and "Canarias." The rebel warships defeated the loyalists and captured the "Galdanes."

The Government destroyer was badly damaged in the action but managed to limp into Bordeaux.

TRAWLER SUNK

One of the trawlers was sunk but another has arrived at Arcachon, near Bordeaux, in a damaged condition.

During the engagement the "Galdanes" was hit by several rebel shells, killing and wounding many on board.

Among the dead were two women and three children, the bodies being landed later at Port Pasajes.

The "Galdanes" is a 3,000-ton cargo boat. On board were 140 passengers and troops, including woman and children.

MINISTER PRISONER

One of the passengers, taken prisoner by the rebels, was Senor Carrasco Formigenira, a minister of the Catalan Government and representative of the Barcelona faction with the Basque separatists in Bilbao.

Also among the passengers were several city councillors from Irun, who had fled to Bilbao when the rebels captured Irun last year.

OFFICER SLAIN

During the action a rebel officer had both his legs blown off by a shell, and died later.

The "Galdanes" also carried a large cargo of war supplies and four tons of nickel coinage for the Basque Government.

This was the first major sea engagement of the Spanish civil war, both sides having hitherto avoided a trial of strength at sea.—Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

The K.P.M. ms. Van Heutz is sailing for Singapore, Penang and Belawan Deli on Thursday, March 18.

One Of Army's Oldest Generals Dies

Death Of Maj.-Gen. Sir
Ronald Lane

London, To-day.

The death occurred yesterday at the age of 90 of Major-General Sir Ronald Bertram Lane.

Major-General Lane joined the Rifle Brigade as long ago as 1867 and served in the Zulu War of 1879, being mentioned in despatches, given the brevet of major and receiving the Zulu medal with clasp.

In 1881 he fought in the Boer War and the following year in the Egyptian War.

During the latter he was again mentioned in despatches, was made Lieut.-Colonel and received a medal with clasp. He also received the order of the fourth class of Osmanieh, Khedive's Star.

In the same year he was appointed extra equerry to the Duke of Connaught.

ALEXANDRIA SERVICE
In 1898 he was made Major-General and for the next three years commanded the garrison at Alexandria.

From 1901 to 1903 he was in command of an infantry brigade at Malta and for the next year military secretary at the War Office.

From 1905 to 1909 he was Lieut.-Governor and secretary of the Chelsea Royal Hospital, at the end of which period he retired.

MEDWAY BRINGS INNISKILLINGS

H. M. S. Medway arrived in port this morning and berthed at the Kowloon Wharf where the Royal Inniskilling Fusiliers from Singapore were disembarked.

The Inniskillings have arrived to take part in the combined manoeuvres which are scheduled to begin on Monday next.

LABOUR PARTY AND ARMS

Major Attlee Corrects A Wrong Impression

TOUGHEST GAOL NOT SO TOUGH

Alcatraz, America's grim island prison, set in the middle of the swift currents of San Francisco Bay, is reputed to be one of the world's "toughest" jails to everyone except the convicts themselves.

An inmate of the prison, just released, "debunked" stories of snarling maniacs and constant brutality in an interview at San Francisco. He was one of the first consignment of prisoners sent to Alcatraz. He had never seen or heard reports of brutality in any form, he said.

No "Big Shots"

The discipline was rigid but not harsh; the silence rule nerve-racking but bearable; the food far above ordinary prison fare.

"Every man has a cell to himself with more sanitary facilities than you find in most prisons," said Reuter's informant. "There are no 'big shots' and no cliques, though every man has his own friends."

But the 36-years-old ex-convict, anxious lest his more than two years on "The Rock" for dealing in bad checks should appear to have been too comfortable, hastily pointed out that "it is a tough joint to do time in."

"It's up to the individual. Of course, if a man can't take it, it's unfortunate—for him."

No Schoolkids!

"Naturally they are not like a bunch of contented schoolkids," said the man who had spent most of his "time" working in the prison's clothing room, in daily contact with 286 other prisoners. "They know they have to obey rules and they know who is boss. Most of them behave."

"If someone breaks a rule now, he get a 'stretch' in solitary. That means a dark cell with no bunk and with only one meal every three days."

"But even that doesn't happen so often any more."

"Even the boys doing 100 years are doing it 'easy' because they have found that it is the only way to do it. They know this, too. They know escape is impossible. I don't see how there can ever be one."

The R.M.S. "Empress of Britain" is due at Batavia to-morrow at 11 a.m. and leaves on Thursday at 5 p.m. She is due at Hong Kong on March 21 at 3 p.m.

A piano 46 inches long and 57 inches wide has been made in Brunswick.

A motor-car valued at £1 killed a man in New York.

Mr. Frank Giles, bellringer at Biddenden-Kent, parish church for 50 years, is retiring.

Fourteen new cases of war-blinded ex-Servicemen were admitted to St. Dunstan's during the past year.

Four people were drowned when their car plunged into the Rhine.

There were 11 more cases of drunkenness at Dartford last year.

No Support For Rearmament Policy

(SPECIAL TO "CHINA MAIL")

Cambridge, To-day.

"The Labour Party has no intention whatever of supporting the Government in its rearmament policy."

THIS EMPHATIC DECLARATION WAS MADE HERE YESTERDAY BY MAJOR CLEMENT ATTLEE, LEADER OF THE LABOUR PARTY IN THE HOUSE OF COMMONS, IN THE COURSE OF A SPEECH.

Major Attlee said that it had been frequently asserted that even the Labour opposition was behind the Government on the question of rearmament.

He wanted to make it quite clear that Labour did not, and would not, approve a policy of spending huge sums on arms.

"The Labour successes in the London County Council elections," he continued, "were a severe blow for Mr. Baldwin, Mr. Winston Churchill and the press lords, Lord Beaverbrook and Lord Rothermere."

MR. MORRISON EXTOLLED

Major Attlee went on to forecast that Mr. Herbert Morrison, leader of the London County Council, would one day lead the British Labour Party in the House of Commons.

"A man who has shown himself so eminently capable of deciding the destinies of the greatest city in the world, will be equal when the necessity arises, to the responsibility of also ruling the affairs of a great country."—Trans-Ocean.

ECONOMIC TALK AT THE HAGUE

Recommendations For Oslo Convention Signatories

The Hague, To-day.

The economic conference held here between the signatories of the Oslo Convention, concluded here yesterday.

Countries participating in the conference were the Netherlands, Denmark, Sweden, Finland, Norway, Belgium and Luxembourg.

An official communique summarising the results of the talks declares that the experts drafted a number of recommendations to be submitted to a conference of representatives of the governments adhering to the Oslo Convention.

Text Changes

The recommendations include proposals to make certain alterations in the text of the Oslo Convention in order to facilitate the practical application of the principles embodied in the Convention.

The communique stresses that the negotiations at the Preliminary talks were conducted "in a spirit of excellent understanding and friendship," and proved the extreme usefulness of the establishment of personal contact between representatives of the different nations.—Trans-Ocean.

TELEPHONE CABLE CUT

Man Sent To Prison For A Year

Fung Sun was this morning sentenced to six months' imprisonment at the Central Magistracy when he pleaded guilty to the theft of a quantity of cable, the property of the Hong Kong Telephone Co., at Aberdeen. For maliciously damaging the cable he was sentenced to a further six months.

Mr. W. A. MacKinlay, for the Telephone Company, said that during the last two months, cables had been cut in four different places and the subscribers in the district were completely cut off. In this instance a message for medical aid could not be sent through. The Telephone Company had now devised an automatic alarm which would indicate at the Head office, whenever a cable was tampered with.

At 11 o'clock on the evening of March 1, this alarm ran, the Police at Aberdeen were communicated with and the defendant arrested. About 35 feet of cable, valued at \$40 had been removed.

Law And Commerce Society

At the Tenth Annual General Meeting of the Law and Commerce Society of the Hong Kong University, the following were elected office-bearers for the year 1937-8:

President—Prof. R. Robertson, M.A.

Graduate Vice-President—Mr. Douglas Hung, B.A.

Honorary Vice-Presidents:—

Chairman of The Chinese Chamber of Commerce.

Chairman of The Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce.

Hon. Mr. M. K. Lo, J. P.

Mr. W. N. Thomas Tam, B.A., LL. B.

Chairman—Mr. Leung Sik Kwan.

Hon. Secretary—Mr. Fu Gee Tuan.

Hon. Treasurer—Mr. Hung Mo Chin.

Hon. Auditor—Mr. T. A. Martin, A. S. A. A.

Representatives:—Miss In Wai Ying, Miss Rose Pau, Mr. Andrew Lu, Mr. Wilson Heng, and Mr. Chia Kee Sian.

Famous Physician Honoured

Vienna, To-day.

Eminent physicians and scientists flocked here from all over Europe yesterday to celebrate the eightieth birthday of the famous Austrian physician, Dr. Julius Wagner-Jauregg.

Dr. Wagner-Jauregg was awarded the Nobel Prize for medicine in 1927.

Letters of congratulation were received from President Miklas and other statesmen.

Dr. Wagner-Jauregg's greatest triumph was the discovery of a means of healing progressive paralysis by inoculating the patient with malaria germs.

He also discovered that several other diseases could be cured by the same method.

His discovery was made accidentally, while he was experimenting on an entirely different subject.—Trans-Ocean.

Rear-Admiral W. H. Allen, of the U.S. Navy, is passing through the Colony in the President Wilson, accompanied by Mrs. Allen, bound for Naples.

Lady G. C. Gilbert-Carter arrived in the Colony aboard the President Wilson.

Miss Ray Latimer, Mr. Greenhow Manry, and Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Carter arrived in the President McKinley to-day.



Weather Changes

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WHY DO WE GOSSIP?

You must be a very unusual person if you have never asked yourself, after being party to a gossip half-hour: "Why did I say this, or that?"

Few of us can resist gossiping now and again, and most of us, if we will only be truthful with ourselves, have said something or other about a friend or acquaintance which we wish we could recall.

Sometimes this wish is so strong within us as to make us completely miserable, and we ask ourselves crossly: "Oh, why do I gossip?"

"Well, why do we gossip?"

My answer to that is, that we gossip because we like to—every one of us. We like to gossip for the same reason that people form clubs—because we need the companionship of each other to share ideas, news, pleasures, and sorrows.

There is no harm in gossip. On the contrary, there is a lot of good in it.

Through gossip—or the exchange of ideas—we learn a lot about things and places and people, that we would otherwise be ignorant of. Best of all we learn to realise that we are neither more nor less martyrs, nor heroines, than the other woman—or man—and that alone should do us an immense amount of good.

It takes the conceit out of some of us, and rightly so. It also keeps others from those orgies or self-

pity that they would otherwise indulge in when trouble and frustration come their way.

The knowledge that others have to face the same difficulties, fight the same battles, climb similar mountains and encounter the same pitfalls, helps us all enormously to take our courage in both hands and face up to life in the proper spirit.

And it is the knowledge gained so often in those odd half-hours of gossip which teaches us that we are but one of a big family, and if we have trouble there are others whose trouble exceeds our own, and to indulge ourselves in self-pity therefore seems absurd.

WAGE INCREASE GRANTED

London, To-day.

The British Aluminium Company has decided partially to meet the demands of its workers for higher wages by agreeing to pay a bonus of a halfpenny per hour.

Payment for piece work is to be increased by five per cent.

The new scale of wages will remain effective for twelve months. —Trans-Ocean.

Unusually heavy rains have caused interruption to road, rail and air communications throughout Palestine.

Three Croydon hospitals have been scheduled as air raid casualty clearing stations.

In the Spring, a woman's fancy lightly turns to thoughts of

HATS!

With the new season's stocks coming in and with March feeling progressively less near spring hats are beginning to betray thoughts of summer. That is to say, the regulation straw appears here and there in a window, as though, to show that it can be in the movement, the while velvet and wool dominate the situation and will do so for some time yet.

New materials give some indications for the future. There are light braids of straw and some which are coarse. Coloured straws are many, and there are more flowers this year. Materials indicate hats which are small and those which are large. For the spring there are a good many knitted hats, but these are made of chenille, or variegated threads, some having perhaps a little gold in them. The scarlet hat seems likely to be popular again and in every sort of material. It enables plain dark clothes to be worn which yet have a certain brightness. Ribbons seem to be suited for whole hats and also for trimming. These are variously of silk, of velvet, and of something which looks like fine knitted straw. Bright stripes appear on dark grounds, and there are plaid and check ribbons. Some of those in black with a warm red and a blue-green stripe are very becoming. Straw and velvet are to be contrasted as violently as possible. Coarse, shiny straws go with velvet trimmings. Some hats seem to be made entirely of bow, and the bow may be either of straw or of velvet. There are still innumerable little caps which follow the lift of the hair and which are much too convenient, both for wearing and for packing, to be discarded lightly.

Caps of felt and wool lend themselves to every sort of shape. Worn with big fur collars or fur capes, they run up into a peak towards the front. A cap may seem to be made of two caps, one pulled forward and the other back with a lift where they meet. The forage cap has many adaptations, both feathers and tassels being used to trim it. Little wings, quills, a wing and a question mark together, a wing and a spike are all methods of adding point to the felt cap. None of the plainest felts is the American sailor. This falls in with the off-the-face tendency, without being so self-confident. The top of the

round head-piece shows just above the brim, which has a becoming Holbeinesque appearance. With the methods of hair-dressing which resemble that of Sir Thomas More, Holbein hats seem in keeping. The cone caps now and again run into two points like a divided carrot. These are cut off short and are usually not too definite.

Some top-hat shapes are being made just now, especially for elderly women. They are worn on hair which is worn loose behind, but generally gathered up to some extent instead of being short. They are unexpectably flattering to the face. To the top-hat almost any variation comes not amiss. Where there is a brim it is little more than a roll or binding. Some of them have the look of the top-hat that went with the long riding habit and the chignon and they are worn with a loose veil, usually gathered up in a fuzzy bunch at the side-back of the head. A few top-hats incline inward half-way down, achieving a waisted effect. The dip in front may be balanced by a large bow down the hair at the back. When the top-hat is sloped slightly inwards towards the top it becomes the Directoire hat. This has a curly brim and is on the high side.

Homburg shapes are legion and this is the hat which can be used for all but formal occasions. Anything may happen to a Homburg hat. Pieces may be cut out of it anywhere and folds of felt may be set on it resembling the sails of a windmill. The most becoming shape does away with the dent in the crown, has a brim curling up immensely on one side and a tall, almost perpendicular, feather on the other. This hat may be on the flat side to go with a rough tweed coat; much tipped and pulled forward over one eye to go with a less informal suit.

M. Van Zeeland, the Belgian Premier, appealed over the wireless for Belgians to compose their differences.

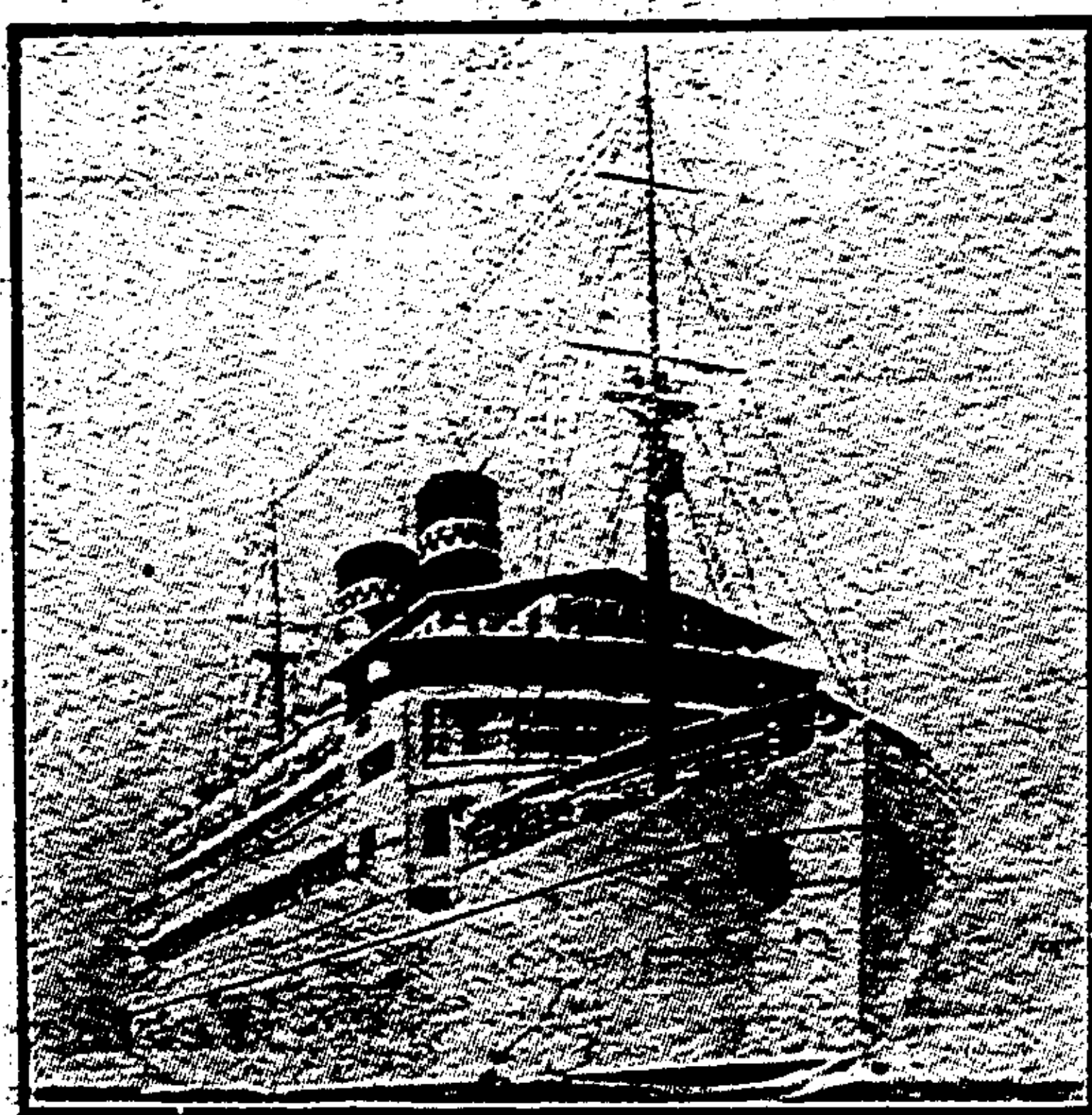
Ossietsky, the German pacifist writer who was recently awarded the Nobel Peace Prize, has been invited by various non-political Norwegian organisations to visit Norway.

A list of 37 persons who have been deprived of their German citizenship for "behaviour incompatible with their duty to the Reich," has appeared in the German official Gazette.

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FRENCH DEFENCE LOAN CAMPAIGN

DEMOCRACY NOT OUTWORN

CALL BY DUKE OF
GLOUCESTER

LEAD FOR WORLD PEACE

Democracy is no outworn creed but represents the very lifeblood of the British Empire.

This statement was made by the Duke of Gloucester in a striking speech at the New Zealand Day dinner of the New Zealand Society at the Savoy Hotel.

"These are fateful days for the world," he added. "New political theories are growing up and the old ideas of democratic government are being challenged."

"It is at such times that New Zealand and the other members of the British Empire can make their greatest contribution to the welfare of the world by showing the value of peace co-operation and by keeping alive the torch of liberty and progress."

The Duke's references to democracy were interrupted by cheers and applause.

New Zealand Memories

"Some of us over here are hoping that the end of our long English winter is almost at hand," added his Royal Highness.

"Personally I do not, because I have been spend a few spare days that I have in hunting the fox on a horse which I was given while I was in New Zealand."

"Somebody once said that New Zealand was 'a brighter Britain.' That has always struck me as a particularly happy phrase, and the clear brightness of the land remains with me as a most vivid memory of my stay there."

The Duke went on to recall some of the incidents of his own visit to the Dominion.

"Certain events stand out in my memory," he said. "Surfing and a picnic on Christmas Day at Piha under the crimson blossom of the pohutukawa trees; fishing in the Tongariro for rainbow trout, whose size would leave any English fisherman speechless at further attempts of exaggeration; sheep stations on the Canterbury plain, and one of the most vivid of all, an assembly of Maoris at Rotorua."

It was just 97 years since the signing of the treaty of Waitangi which the Maoris acknowledged the sovereignty of Queen Victoria. There had been difficulties since that time — what country could hope for a century without difficulties — including cricketers — but New Zealand had a record of which New Zealanders might be justly proud.

"New Zealand is a country of high ideals," added the Duke, "but her ideals have had a way of being realised."

Premier's Message

A message from the Prime Minister of New Zealand, Mr. Michael J. Savage, was read. It stated:

"The Dominion of New Zealand has always been devoted to the Royal Family with feelings of sincere affection and loyalty."

"The bonds of sentiment which bind our country with the United Kingdom are continually being renewed and strengthened and I feel confident that we in New Zealand will always be as fortunate in the

Bill To Be Rushed Through Chamber And Senate

PARIS, TO-DAY.

THE BROADCAST APPEAL TO THE COUNTRY IN CONNECTION WITH THE NEW DEFENCE LOAN, WHICH WAS TO HAVE BEEN MADE BY PRESIDENT ALBERT LEBRUN YESTERDAY, HAS BEEN POSTPONED UNTIL EARLY IN THE WEEK.

Meanwhile the Government has decided to accelerate passage of the defence loan bill through Parliament.

Discussion of the measure is expected to take place in the Chamber of Deputies on Tuesday morning, and it is hoped it will be passed and sent to the Senate the same day. — Reuter and Trans-Ocean.

DETAILS NOT SETTLED

Detailed conditions regarding the issue of the French armament loan have not yet been decided, according to press reports here.

The Minister of Finance, M. Vincent Auriol, yesterday conferred with several well-known financial experts.

He received the director of the Ministry of Finance, M. Rueff, and the doyen of the legal faculty at the Sorbonne, M. Alex, and discussed with them various technical and legal aspects of the loan.

Following the conference with these two financial experts, he called on the Premier, M. Leon Blum, and the President of the Senate, M. Jeanneney.

CIRCULAR DRAFTED

In consultation with the Minister of the Interior, M. Dormoy, the Minister of Finance drafted the

future in receiving fair and favourable treatment which the mother country has afforded us in the past."

In front of the Duke was a model of the Arawa, the war canoe which, according to tradition, brought the first Maoris from the mystic isle of Hawaiki.

U.S. PIG IRON FOR JAPAN

Bringing to a total of 180,000 tons the purchases of American pig iron contracted for by the Japan Iron Manufacturing Co., a new deal providing for the delivery of 30,000 tons during the latter half of 1937 has been concluded. The Japan Iron Manufacturing Co. last autumn signed a contract for the supply of 150,000 tons of pig iron from January to June this year at the former price of ¥150 a ton.

Japan formerly purchased only small quantities of pig iron from the United States, obtaining her supplies mainly from Russia, India and China.

A scheme is being prepared for a by-pass, costing £180,000, to eliminate the dangerous corner between Market Harborough and Leicester, where Mr. R. P. Northway, the Northamptonshire cricketer, was killed.

Negotiations between the Automobile Association, the Southern Railway and local authorities have led to safety measures being adopted on three level crossings on the Totton, Hythe and Fawley Light Railway, Hampshire.

KWANGTUNG'S FIVE YEAR-PLAN

Canton, To-day.

Well-informed circles state that the Central Government will finance reconstruction work in Kwangtung. Generalissimo Chiang Kai-shek, President of the Executive Yuan, is reported to have assigned \$100,000,000 in this year's budget for the purpose. Mr. T. V. Soong and Mr. Sun Fo are coming to Canton to map out the programme for 1937. — Our Own Correspondent.

STOLE WATER PIPE

Wong Sin and Wong Kai were this morning fined \$25 each, when they pleaded guilty before Mr. W. Schofield to the theft of a water pipe from the Tai Tam-tuk reservoir.

The defendants were also ordered to pay \$25 each as cost of replacement.

Mr. Thompson of the Public Works Department was the complainant and it was stated that this pipe was used in case of emergency.

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PRESIDENT AND JUDICIARY

As was predicted when President Roosevelt announced his bold scheme for the reform of the federal judiciary, his far-reaching proposals, meaning nothing less than the introduction of a new bench to the Supreme Court, has given rise to a struggle as heavily charged with passion as any with which the President has had to face during his term of office. He is accused of attempting to "pack" the Court in favour of his political and economic programmes and the accusations are hard to rebut because it is frankly admitted that the need for reform arises from the Court's actions in nullifying several of the most important measures flowing from the New Deal.

It is typical of the President that he has met the political hurricane in the way he has. At the victory dinner of the Democratic Party in Washington on Thursday, he not only refused to surrender an inch of ground, but carried the campaign into enemy country and made a direct appeal for the backing of the American people. Of his determination to proceed with his programme, there can no longer be any doubt. He accused the Supreme Court of wilful failure to pull its weight in the "three-horse team of the American system of government," and declared that it had created a "no-man's land of final futility." These are plain words, leaving no room for misunderstanding. His justification is the need for social betterment on a tremendous scale which he is convinced will be hampered at every turn or nullified unless his reform plan is accepted.

It is a curious fact, though now of little more than academic interest, that the right to invalidate acts of Congress on constitutional grounds was not bestowed upon the Supreme Court by the framers of the Constitution. It was first claimed for the Court by John Marshall, the great Chief Justice, who based his claim upon the right of the Court to interpret the Constitution, and although it has long since been conceded by custom, the recognition of it was strenuously opposed at the time. Indeed, on one famous occasion, President Jackson, the father of the Democratic party which President Roosevelt now leads, defied the Court to enforce

the decision which it had handed down.

In the early days, the right was, in any case, seldom used. During recent years, however, and particularly during the period of the New Deal, the Supreme Court has used its power to nullify federal enactments with increasing frequency and effect. This has, of course, been mainly due to the rapid growth in the sphere of governmental activities which is one of the most significant characteristics of the present age. It is not fortuitous that, at the present time, practically every country in the world possessing a federal Constitution is the theatre of a struggle for an extension of federal powers. But in the United States, the struggle has been complicated and embittered by the tendency of the Supreme Court Justices to give their decisions in the light of what one of their number has called their "personal economic predilections." The result has been to weaken the authority of the Court and to bring its judgments into the arena of political controversy.

It is that special fact which gives President Roosevelt his strength in the fight that evidently still lies before. If it is true that personal predilections have played an important part in Supreme Court decisions, there is ample reason for any and every step the President may choose to take. It is, indeed, noteworthy that his proposals do not provide for limitation upon the powers at present exercised by the Court. They do not directly involve any issue of constitutional law. Primarily they aim at making the judiciary less static by the systematic addition of new blood to its personnel, as each Judge reaches the age of 70 without retiring. As six of the nine Justices at present constituting the Supreme Court are over seventy years of age, the implication is obvious.

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The Black-Out

The dangers confronting the Colony in the remote event of a war in the Far East are being brought home to us in no uncertain fashion. Dr. Dovey has explained, and demonstrated, the means that may be used to counter-act the poison gases that may be expected to rain down from the skies. Government has ordered a "black-out," and Hong Kong and Kowloon will be plunged into darkness during the early hours of March 21.

"Plunged," perhaps, is hardly the correct word, for at the time of night when the practice will take place (from 2 to 4 a.m.) most people will in bed and, except here and there, the only bright lights to be seen will be those illuminating the streets.

The whole object of the practice, therefore, if as is suggested, it is intended to accustom us to extinguishing all lights at a given warning, must misfire. Ninety-five per cent. of the population will be unaware that there has been a practice at all. To be of value, the black-out would have to be ordered for an hour at which most lights are on, say 9 p.m. Doubtless, Government feels chary of unduly interfering with dancing and parties and cinemas and so on, but if there is to be no real practice for the population, why hold one at all?

Dyarchy gives way to autonomy

The New Constitution In Practice

IN April next an entirely new constitution for India, from which Burma will be separated as a colony on its own, comes into force with the inauguration of the first stage, namely, autonomy for the eleven Provinces of India.

The second stage, Federation, is expected to be reached after a brief interval of negotiations for the entry of the various Indian States into an All-India Federation. When this happens India will for the first time in her history have achieved constitutional unity, and the biggest experiment in democratic government in human history will have been launched.

The 1935 Government of India Act is the latest of a number of stages towards self-government. As far back as 1892 the elective principle was introduced. By the so-called Morley-Minto Reforms in 1905 the principle was strengthened by doing away with the official majority in the Councils, which at this stage, however, were purely advisory bodies.

Dominion Status India's Goal

The really big step forward was the historic Montagu Declaration in the British House of Commons in 1917, when the policy of the British and Indian Governments was for the first time unequivocally expressed as "the increasing association of Indians in every branch of the Administration, and the gradual development of self-governing institutions with a view to the progressive realisation of responsible government in India as an integral part of the British Empire."

Thus India's goal is clearly shown to be that of Dominion Status, and the Act of 1919 following upon the Montagu-Chelmsford Report introduced a constitution which was designed to give a fuller measure of self-government.

This Act introduced the system known as "Dyarchy," the system now to be replaced by one of provincial autonomy. Under Dyarchy certain subjects known as "transferred subjects," were in each Province entrusted to responsible Ministers who were responsible to the provincial legislatures, while in respect of other "reserved" subjects, such as the maintenance of law and order, finance, irrigation and labour disputes, control remained in the officials of the Governor's Executive Council, who were responsible only to the Governor.

Even in regard to transferred subjects, however, the Governor could over-rule the Legislature, and in certain cases act without it, if in his opinion "the safety, tranquillity or interests of the province" so required.

The 1919 Act

So far as the Central Government of India was concerned, the 1919 Act set up a constitutionally unitary and centralised Government with the Governor-General-in-Council as the keystone of the whole structure. The Central Legislature consisted of two Houses, the Council of State and the Assembly, respectively.

These, however, possessed no constitutional control over the Central Executive, which remained responsible to the British Secretary of State, and, through him, to the Westminster.

It was a tragedy that Mahatma Gandhi should, just when the 1919 constitution was being introduced, have been blinded by the blunder of the Amritsar riots into opposing the reforms from the start and initiating an obstructive campaign of non-co-operation and of civil disobedience.

In spite, however, of all difficulties and disorders, the system of Dyarchy has had a not altogether unsuccessful record during the past 16 years, operating comparatively smoothly in some Provinces like Madras, but very imperfectly, not to say dangerously, in others like Bengal.

The chief weakness of Dyarchy has lain in the fact that with certain reserved subjects remaining in

the hands of officials and outside the scope of the elected legislatures, with fixed an irremovable Government-appointed Executives, and with elaborate guarantees—which had not infrequently to be put into practice—for making Government policy effective as against decisions of the Legislature majorities, it has failed to develop a sense of reality and of responsibility on the part of the various opposition groups.

The Simon Report

The 1919 Act provided for the appointment of a statutory Commission after ten years to examine the working of the Constitution and to advise as to its amendment. This Commission, with Sir John Simon as chairman, reported in 1930. Its recommendations were considered at length by three round table conferences in London, and the 1935 Act is the eventual result of all these deliberations.

The Constitution now to be set up introduces three main changes. The first is the discarding of Dyarchy in the Provinces and its replacement by full provincial autonomy (subject to certain safeguards). Secondly, there is a switch-over to a federal form of constitution.

The unitary system which for so long has been the supreme authority in India is disappearing as we watch, and in its place great autonomous Provinces make their appearance. Thirdly, there is provision for a Federation including the ruling Princes of the independent States.

Within such fields of legislation as are not statutorily defined as being exclusively federal the Provincial Councils (whose members will be elected directly to represent various religious communities, universities and economic interests) will have full power to legislate.

These powers are, however, subject to the "safeguards" of the Governor's special powers to act at his discretion in such matters as keeping order or protecting minorities. They are also subject to the Governor's right in certain cases to legislate by ordinance which remains valid for a period, and even in emergencies to enact Acts, and to his right to legislate for certain "excluded areas" which remain outside the jurisdiction of the legislature.

The New Parliament

The new Federal Parliament will consist as heretofore of a Council of State and an Assembly, both increased in numbers, due chiefly to the presence of nominees of the federating States. Seats will in both Houses as heretofore be allocated communally, Hindus, Sikhs, Mahommedans and the depressed or outcast classes being entitled to a fixed number of seats. Special provision is also made for a measure of representation by labour, commerce and industry, and by women.

It is of particular interest to South Africans that in the case of all membership in the Assembly and of certain smaller communities

or of public servants, then he may disregard their advice.

The Viceroy may also, like the Governors in their Provinces, promulgate ordinances or enact Acts over the heads of his Ministers where he considers such necessary to the proper discharge of his duties.

The Judiciary

The Act further sets up a Federal Court for India with both original and appellate jurisdiction on matters of federal law. The function of the Court may also be extended to those of the Supreme Court for civil appeals from the various Provincial High Courts.

In constitutional cases, there will be a right of appeal to the Privy Council in England, but in other cases there is only an appeal by leave either of the Federal Court itself or of the Privy Council.

I have tried briefly to outline the new Constitution, which, to use the Viceroy's word, "for breadth of conception and boldness of design is without parallel in history."

In an age of unfaith and of reaction in so many countries, the grant of this new democratic Constitution for one-fifth of the human race is a great act of faith. But it might well have been made sooner.

The chief criticism that might fairly be made against Britain is not that these reforms concede too little, but that she did not in 1919 have the larger faith of the Campbell-Bannerman variety and do then what the better lessons of the intervening years of evasion and of difficulty eventually brought her somewhat diffidently to concede in minorities, rights of native rulers 1935.

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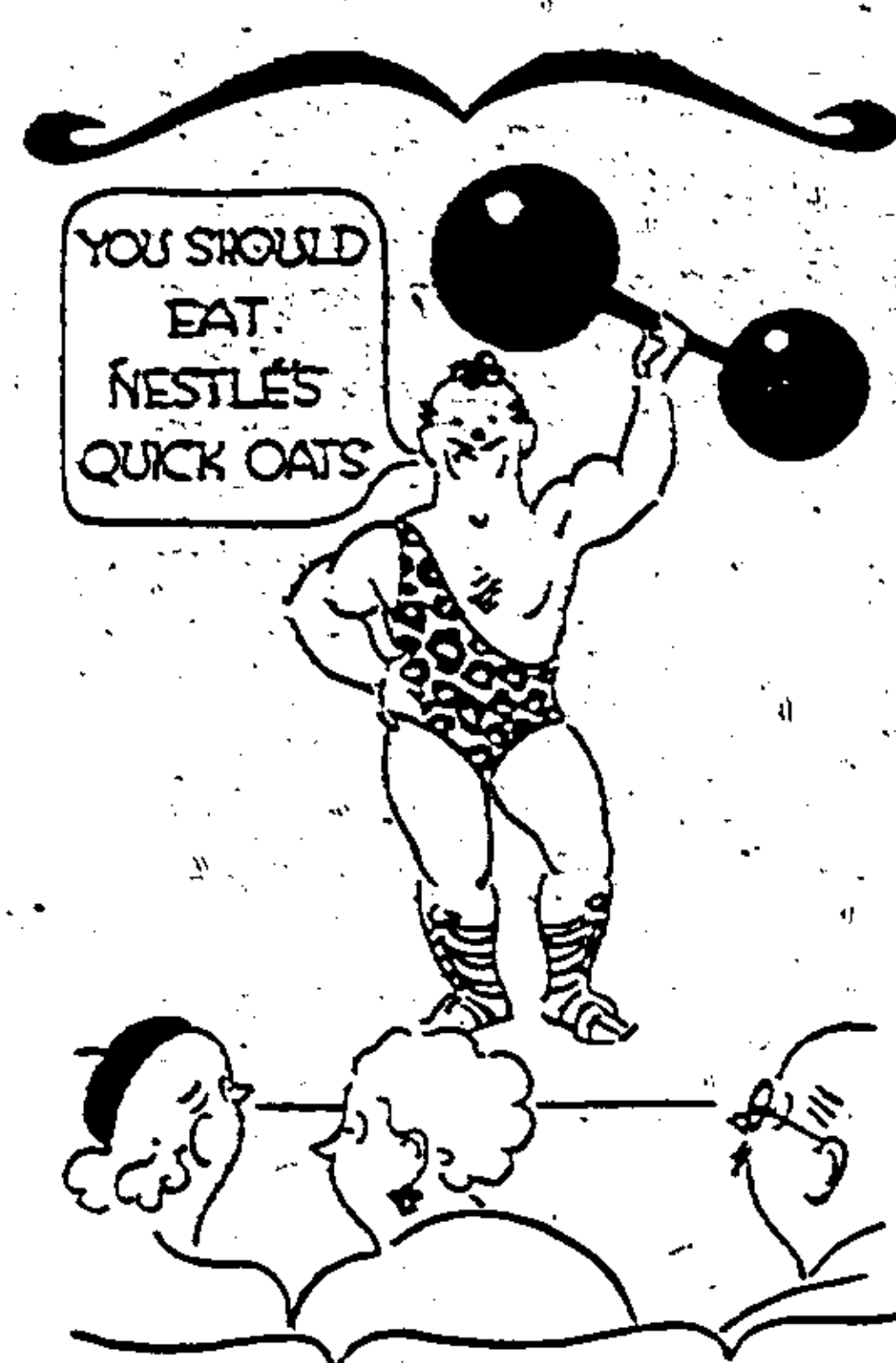
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FRANCO-GERMAN RAPPROCHMENT

FRIENDLY SPEECHES AT INTERNATIONAL TRADE FAIR

(SPECIAL TO THE "CHINA MAIL")

Paris, To-day.

A plea for closer Franco-German co-operation and friendship was the keynote of speeches made at a banquet following the opening of the international trade fair yesterday.

THE PRESIDENT OF THE FRENCH CLUB FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS WAS THE CHIEF SPEAKER.

DECLARING THAT FRANCO-GERMAN RAPPROCHMENT WAS A FUNDAMENTAL QUESTION OF THE UTMOST IMPORTANCE, HE PLEADED WITH HIS HEARERS TO DO EVERYTHING POSSIBLE TO DRAW THE TWO NATIONS TOGETHER.

This could not be done, he said, by burying the past. The manner in which their past difficulties had arisen should be studied, with the idea of correcting the present and providing for a better future.

In reply the chief German delegate stated that the German of to-day repudiated the imperialistic tendencies of the past.

HEAVY RESPONSIBILITY

The Reich, he declared, wanted above all things close co-operation with other nations.

This co-operation was the heavy responsibility which confronted both France and Germany.

The youth of both nations, he declared, should be appealed to. In their hands lay the hopes of the future, and if they grew to understand the mentality and problems confronting each other, nothing but good would result.

It would be an idea, he continued, if the only men to be given responsible positions in the respec-

tive governments were those who had spent at least a year in the other's country.

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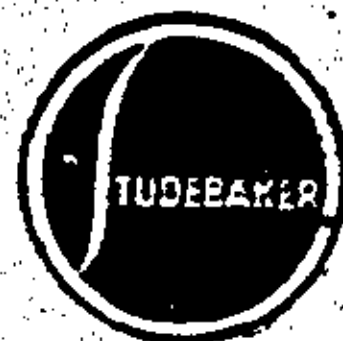
The international trade fair is held annually and this year is attracting thousands of business men not only from France but all over Europe.

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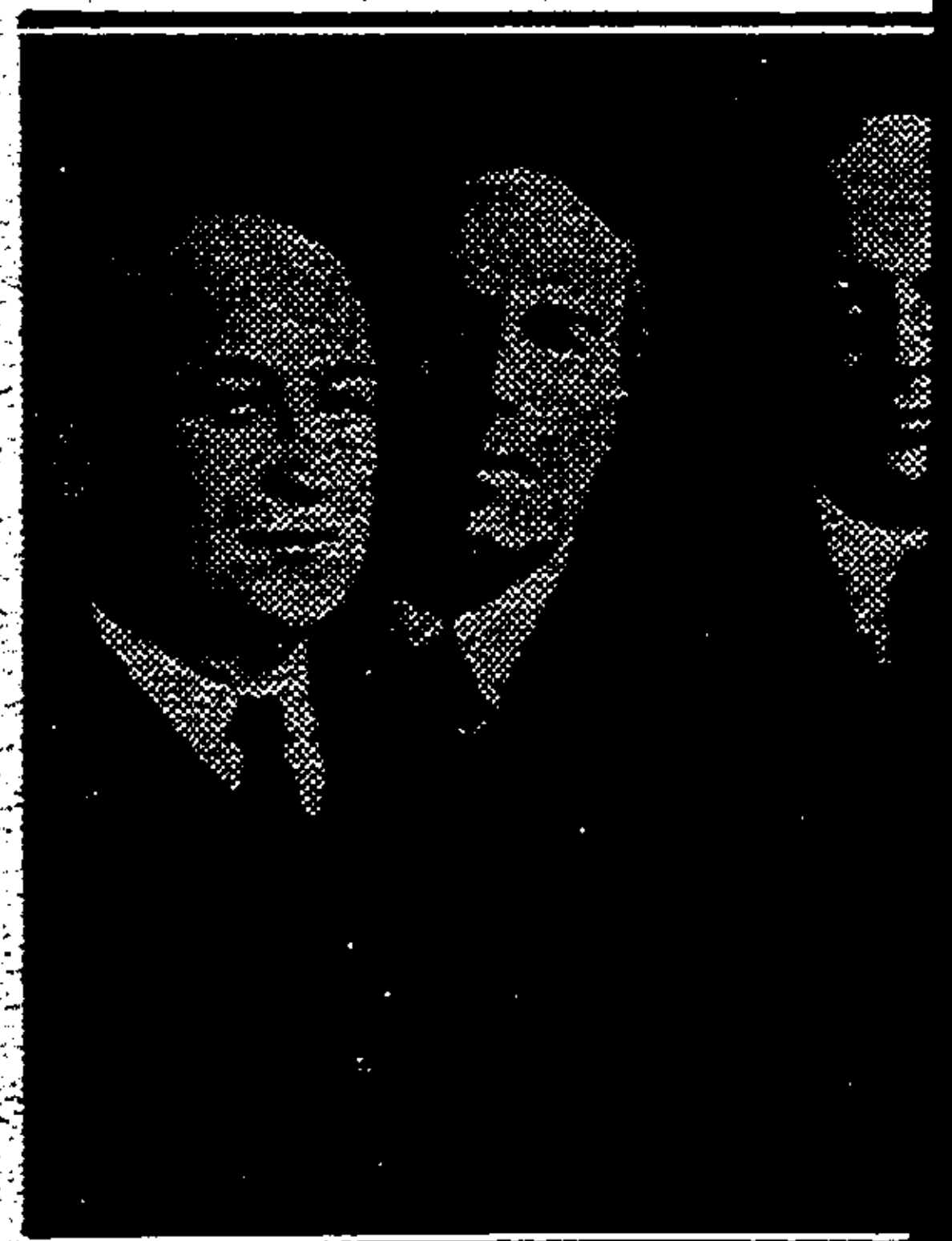
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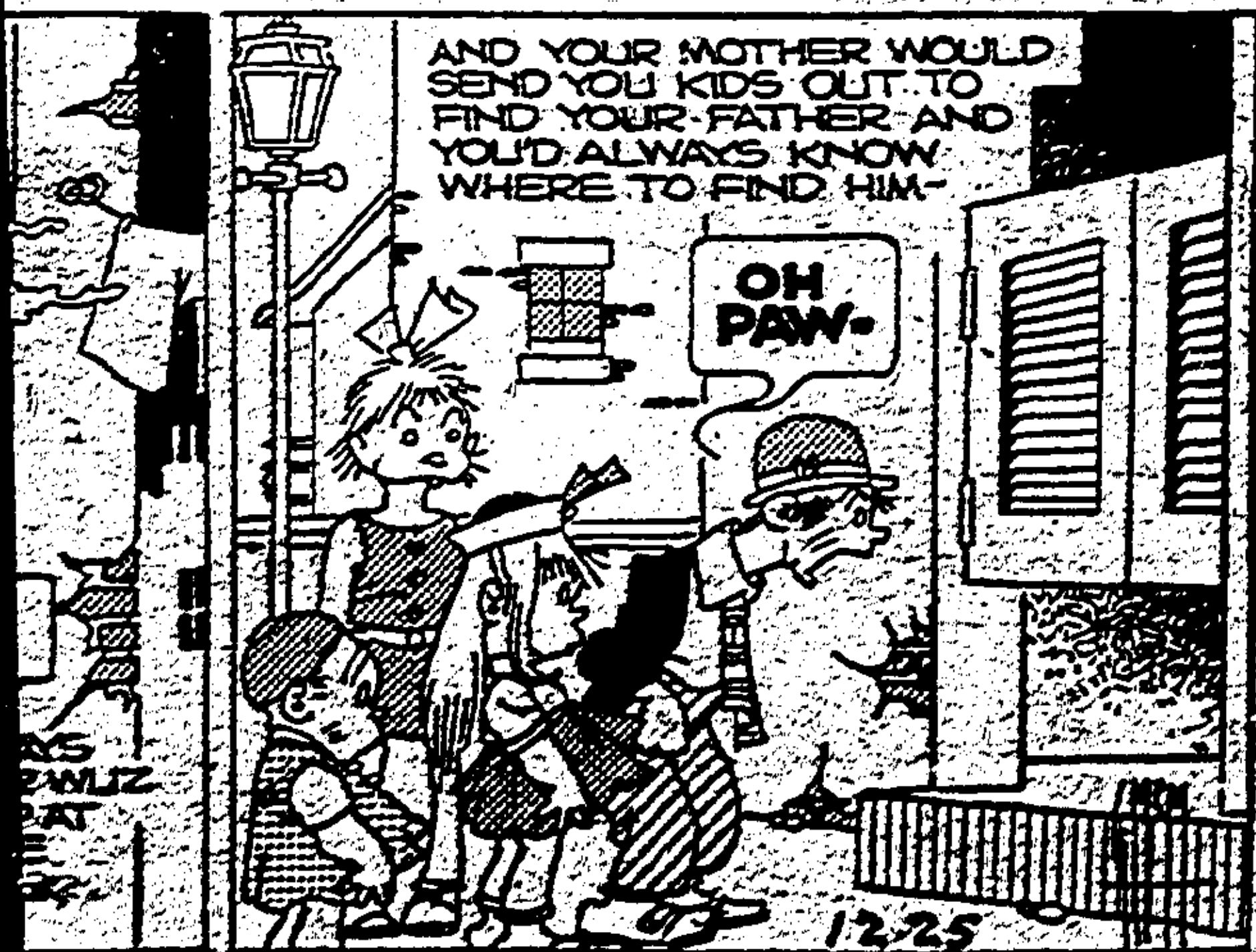
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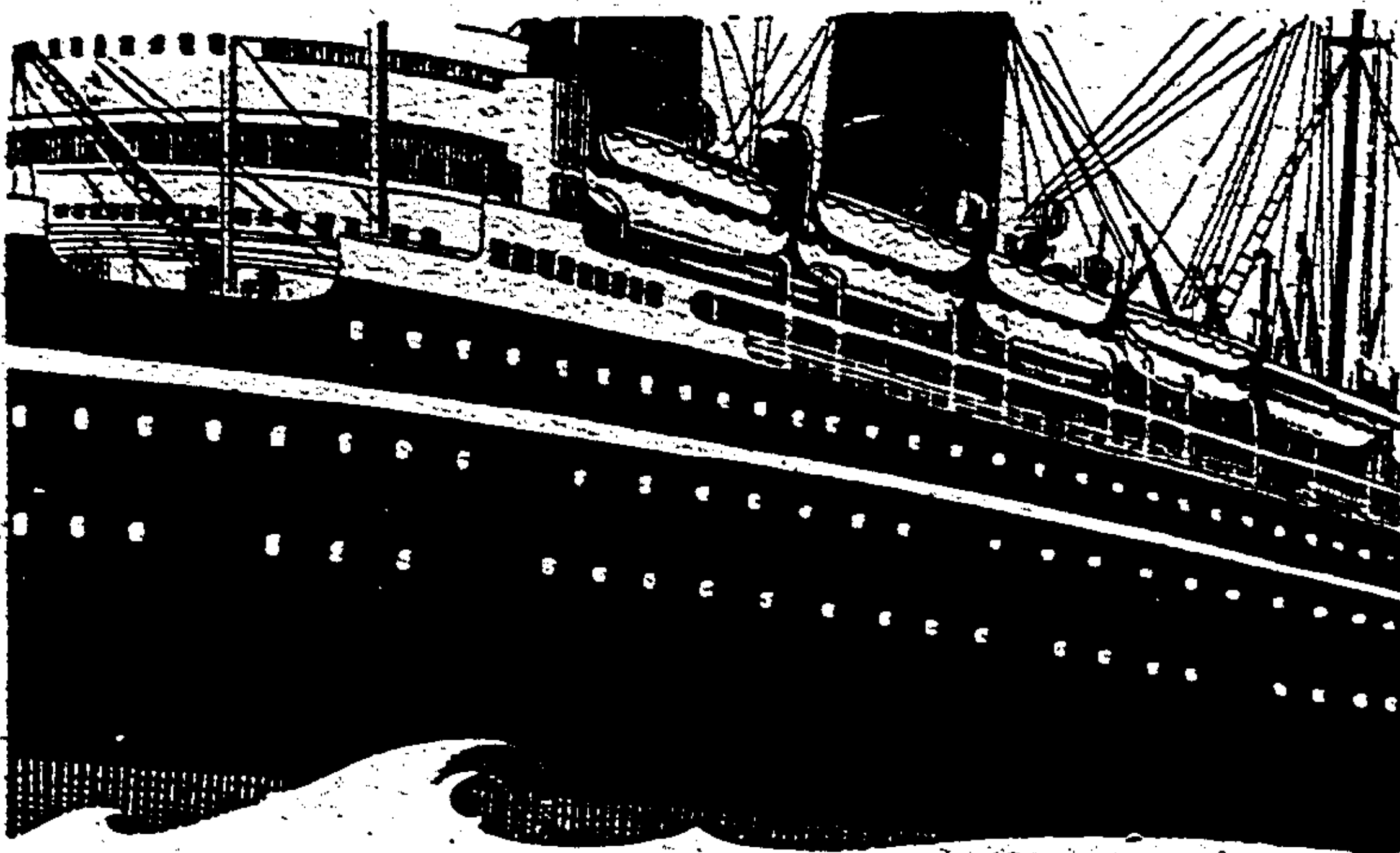
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Straits, Ceylon, India, Aden, and Egypt and *Europe via Marseilles. (Due Marseilles 8th April and Lon- don Parcels — due London 14th April).	Sarpedon	Wed. Mar. 10.
	Parcels	Mar. 10, 9 a.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 10, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters,	Mar. 10, 10.30 a.m.
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	Parcels,	Mar. 9, 15 p.m.
	Reg.	Mar. 10, 9.15 a.m.
	Letters,	Mar. 10, 10 a.m.
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RAKUYO MARU	Thursday	11th Mar.
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KATORRI MARU	Saturday,	13th Mar.
KASHIMA MARU	Saturday,	27th Mar.

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KITANO MARU	Wednesday,	24th April

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TOYAMA MARU	Sunday,	28th Mar.

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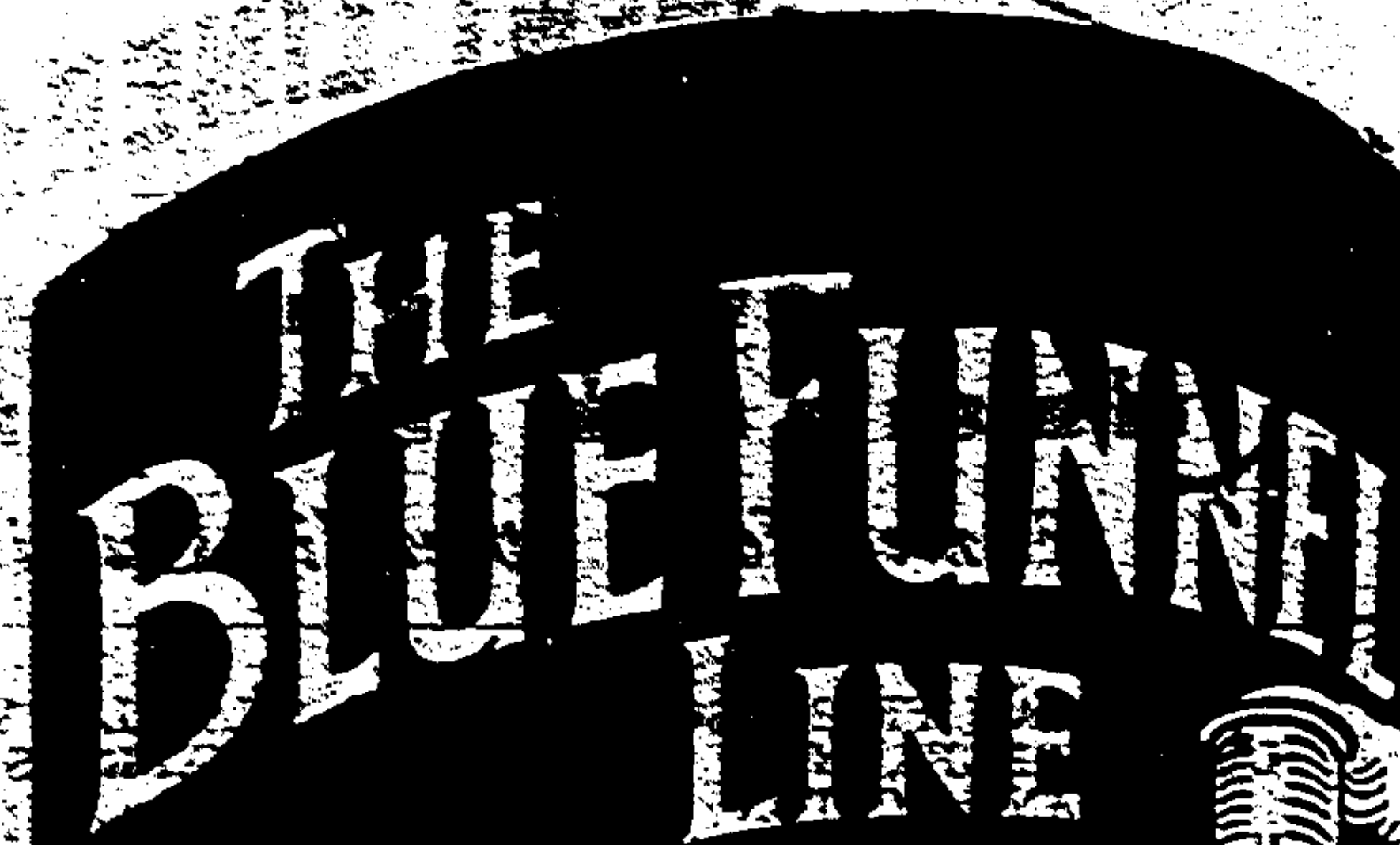
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"BACK-TO-WORK" RACE

Birmingham Sets A Record

Birmingham, Britain's pace-maker in the back-to-work race, has set a new low record for unemployment.

Mr. Geoffrey Lloyd, M.P., Under-Secretary to the Home Office, speaking at the annual dinner of the Unionist Workers' League in Birmingham, stated that:

The latest figure was 20 per cent. lower than the previous low record, which was made in 1926 under the Conservative Government, and just before the general strike.

Since the National Government had taken office unemployment had fallen by 80 per cent.

Factors which had played a great part in Birmingham's success had been the protective and financial measures of the Chancellor of the Exchequer.

DETECTIVE HIDES IN CHURCH

Colonel On Theft Charge

Lt.-Col. George Easton, a former J.P. and Deputy-Lieutenant of the East Riding of Yorkshire, and lately living at Filey, appeared before the Scarborough Bench recently.

He was charged with being in St. James's and All Saints' Churches, Scarborough, for an unlawful purpose on February 5, and stealing a prayer-book, valued at 1s, the property of the vicar and churchwardens of St. Columba's Church.

Det.-Insp. Hamlin, applying for a remand, said that, following complaints, a detective was concealed in All Saints' Church during the lunch hour when Col. Easton arrived.

Col. Easton stayed in the church five minutes and then went out. Insp. Hamlin followed him to St. James's Church, which he entered. As he did not come out in five minutes the inspector entered and asked him what he was doing.

The colonel replied: "I was just looking round." The inspector asked him if he had been anywhere else, and Col. Easton said that he had not.

When searched at the police-station, the inspector alleged, a prayer-book was found in Col. Easton's pocket, and inquiries revealed that this had been taken from St. Columba's Church.

Col. Easton was remanded.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET

Following is the list of changes and enquiries in local share quotations this morning:

BANKS

Hong Kong Bank \$1860 sa.

Bank of East Asia \$83 b. X. Div.

INSURANCES

Canton Ins. \$305 b.

Union Ins. \$627 b.

SHIPPING

Douglases \$33 b.

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Providents (Old) \$1.95 b. \$1.95 sa.

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H. K. Realities \$4.85 b.

PUBLIC UTILITIES

H. K. Tramways \$13.65 b.

Peak Trams (Old) \$44 b.

Star Ferries \$35½ b. \$36 sa.

China Lights (Old) \$14 b. \$14 sa.

H. K. Electrics \$60 b. \$60 sa.

Sandakan Lights \$114 b.

Telephones (Old) \$30 b. \$30 sa.

Telephones (New) \$11.65 b. \$11.60/4 sa.

INDUSTRIALS

Cements \$11.70 b. \$11.70 sa.

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Kogons 145

Masbate Consol. 44

Min. Resources 49

Northern Mining 13

Paracale-Gumaus 66

Salacot Mining 07½

San Mauricio 235

Suyoc Consol. 42

United Paracales 110

LOCAL DOLLAR

Slight Rise In Silver Price

The local dollar is steady, opening on demand this morning at 1/2-27/32.

"Spot" silver was quoted at 20 7/8 and "forward," at 20-13/16.

The London on New York cross-rate was quoted at £-U.S.\$4.876.

SINGAPORE RAW RUBBER

Messrs. H. B. Joseph & Co., received the following quotations from Singapore in Straits Currency for Raw Rubber:

Spot 38 b. Up ½.

Apr.-June 38½ b. Up ½.

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Market:—Steadier.

Two men walked into a Derby jeweller's shop, asked to see some cigarette cases in the window, and while the assistant was getting them, stole a pad of 21 diamond rings valued at £260.

Mgr. Canon Joseph McCormack was consecrated Roman-Catholic Bishop of Hexham and Newcastle in St. Mary's Cathedral, Newcastle, by Dr. Downey, Archbishop of Liverpool.

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The word "timbo" is derived from an Indian word which the natives of the Amazon Valley use to denote any plant, shrub, or tree from which they extract poison, which they employ in catching fish in the rivers. Recent experiments, says the report, have shown that "rotenona," the basis of the poison, can replace arsenic as an ingredient in insecticides and eliminate the danger in their use, as it is not injurious to man or warm-blooded animals.

"Timbo" can be exported either as a root or a powder, but to encourage local industry export in powder form only has hitherto been allowed from the State of Para. The largest importer is the United States, which took 227 tons of the total exports amounting to 253 tons in 1935.

CABBAGES AS RENT

Three hundred bushels of apples or 10,000 cabbages were offered at Canterbury County Court by a farmer as payment in kind in lieu of £14 12s 6d, arrears of quit rent due to Viscountess Hawarden as Lady of the Manor of Wingham.

The defendant, one of four brothers named Stickells, of Great Knell Farm, near Canterbury, said that they objected to paying what he described as a fine levied on agriculture by Lady Hawarden.

He claimed that it was formerly paid in personal service or in kind. Judge Clements, who ordered payment of the amount within two months, told Mr. Stickells that it was a matter for Parliament if he

**EAST INDIA LOAN
BILL****Government's New
Powers**

A financial resolution is to be introduced in Parliament authorising the introduction of the East India Loans Bill. This empowers the Secretary of State for India to borrow in sterling on behalf of the Government of India during the period between April 1 next and the establishment of the Federation of India.

A memorandum on the resolution, issued by the Secretary of State for India, explains that the bill is necessary because the statutory borrowing power now vested in the Secretary of State in Council will expire on April 1.

Such borrowing power is at present represented by outstanding debt of £276,000,000 and unused borrowing power of £44,000,000, or a total of £320,000,000.

The provisions of the resolution are designed to impose a similar limit on India sterling debt during the period for which the Secretary of State is empowered to borrow.

It is proposed also to effect a substantial consolidation of the existing law with regard to India sterling debt, to bring certain technical details of that law into conformity with modern requirements, and to make such adaptations in it as are required by the introduction of new constitutional forms.

All expenses under the resolution will fall to be met from Indian revenues, and no liability is imposed on the Exchequer of the United Kingdom.

BANK ADVANCES

Mr. Edwin Fisher, new chairman of Barclays Bank, presided for the first time at an annual meeting of the bank. One of the most interesting parts of his speech was devoted to an analysis of bank advances. At the end of November 202,223 customers of Barclays and advances, compared with 200,744 at the end of October 1935.

The average advance was £854, against £774. Loans to productive industry accounted for 31.8 per cent. of the total value, compared with 32.7 per cent. at the end of October 1935.

had a grievance.

Mr. G. M. Kingsford, for Lady Hawarden, declined the offer of apples or cabbages, which, he said, were not legal tender.

**GREAT BRITAIN'S
IMPORTS****MINISTER ISSUES
WARNING**

Warning that Britain might be forced to cut down her imports unless she was able to sell more abroad was given by Capt. Euan Wallace, Secretary of the Department of Overseas Trade, addressing the annual banquet of the British Chamber of Commerce in Brussels.

Remarking that Great Britain and Belgium were competitors, Capt. Wallace said that the trade balance was at present in Belgium's favour.

"If we cannot increase our sales overseas," he said, "the time will come when we shall have to restrict our purchases from abroad."

Capt. Wallace referred to the Three Power monetary agreement of last autumn, and said that he hoped the invitation to other countries which it contained would not be allowed to become a dead letter.

Signor Cantalupo, Italian Ambassador at Rio de Janeiro, has been nominated as first Italian Ambassador to Gen. Franco's Government in Spain.

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HONG KONG XI IN BRILLIANT FETTER

(By "ADREM")

AFTER pressing desperately throughout the second half, when they were baulked from scoring on numerous occasions by the brilliant display of Almada, the Macau goalkeeper, Hong Kong netted the only goal in the Interport hockey match against the Portuguese Colony yesterday, as the result of a brilliant movement initiated by Nerain in his own territory, which culminated in Partab cutting in from the left and passing the hitherto impregnable Almada with a beautiful cross flick which left him standing. The whistle sounded for full time a few minutes later.

THE HONG KONG SELECTORS HAVE EVERY REASON TO BE PROUD OF THE TEAM CHOSEN. EVERY MEMBER PLAYED AS IF INSPIRED AND QUICKLY ADAPTING THEMSELVES TO THE POOR CONDITIONS, WERE MUCH FASTER IN THEIR TACKLING, AND COMBINED IN A MANNER WHICH HAD TO BE SEEN TO BE BELIEVED.

In the first half, when the play was fairly even, the defence was continually in the lime-light and the fine work of Guest and Gosano at back, and Willie Reed, in the centre, was a revelation. In the second period, every movement went like clockwork, and the fine feeding of the defence and the swift short-passing of the forwards, were responsible for the complete demoralisation of the Macau team.

The game was scheduled to start at 4.30 p.m. At 4 o'clock, when the Hong Kong team arrived on the ground, a tremendous crowd of spectators lined the pitch and had taken possession of every vantage point in the vicinity. A few minutes before the commencement, an unpleasant drizzle started to fall and more miserable conditions for hockey could not be imagined. In order to prevent themselves from slipping on the soggy ground, many of the Hong Kong team tied bandages around their shoes in the hope of being able to grip better, but as this did not appear to improve matters very much, several actually removed their foot-gear and played in their stocking feet. This proved the best solution, as Wright very ably demonstrated with some flashing runs in the second half.

MAGNIFICENT H.K. TEAM

The Hong Kong team gave the finest Interport display since the series came into being. The whole side was magnificent, a feature of their play being their speed on the ball, the intelligent clearing of the defence and the quick passing of the forwards, who were unlucky not to have scored at least two more goals. No player can be singled out for special mention. Souza, in goal, while not having a great deal to do, was always safe and cleared with great power. Guest and Gosano, in the full-back division, might have played together for years, so perfect was their understanding. Both were extraordinarily safe with their tackling and their swift interceptions completely bottled up the speedy Macau wingers, who were rarely able to send across really effective centres.

The intermediate-line left nothing to be desired. Willie Reed, captain of the team, was magnificent. He has some excellent performances to his credit, but I can say with absolute certainty that his performance yesterday, has never been bettered. Gonsalves, on his left flank, spoiled magnificently, but was apt to clear without enough



Partab Singh, above, the brilliant Colony left-winger, whose dazzling last-minute goal in the Interport hockey game with Macau yesterday, gave Hong Kong a well-deserved victory.

thought, with the result that many of his passes were intercepted. Brown was all that a right-half should be, and in contrast to Gonsalves, his attacking work was always constructive.

Wright, at inside-right, was the pick of the forwards and that is saying a great deal. Minus his shoes, he showed a great turn of speed and was a continual menace to the harassed Macau defence. Fowler, in the first half, was too prone to wander into the centre of the field and also found difficulty in connecting with his centres. In the second period, however, he improved tremendously and combined very nicely with Wright.

DAZZLING DISPLAY

Pyara Singh was an ideal leader. Realising the difficulty the opposition would have in recovering on the slippery ground, he specialised in through passes which were snapped up by his two inside men with great alacrity. Nerain Singh and Partab demonstrated that they are one of the finest left-wing combinations in China, and they gave Juan Nolasco, Macao's right-half, a miserable time. Dazzling stickwork and fine opportunism marked their displays.

In the Macao team, full marks must be given to Almada, the goalkeeper, whose fine anticipation and quick eye very nearly resulted in extra time being played. He saved

this side from at least four goals which would not have disgraced him if he had let them through.

LAMMERT SHINES

Geoff Lammert, well known in Hong Kong for his sporting activities, was the pick of the two backs. Although rather on the heavy side, he covered ground very well and his fine interceptions and powerful clearing held up many a promising movement on the part of the speedy Wright-Fowler wing.

Laertes da Costa, at left-half, was magnificent as was also Alex Airoso, in the pivotal position. When in possession they never wasted the ball and together with Lammert and Almada, were responsible for the safe-keeping of their goal in that arduous second half.

FROM SICK BED

The forwards were never in the picture for any great length of time and apart from an occasional solo breakaway, were more concerned with defence than attack. The two wingers, both well-known in Hong Kong, were never given enough rope to be effective, and P. Angelo the leader, who had risen from a sick bed to take part in the game, was not his usual dashing self.

The whole Macau team, handicapped by their lack of weight, in the conditions prevailing, were a shade disappointing and pleasure in Hong Kong's victory must be tempered with a certain amount of regret that in his last year in Macau, Lt. da Costa, the "Father of Macao Hockey," will be unable to leave his team with the unbroken record of victories this season which was theirs until yesterday.

I must compliment Messrs. G. T. Palmer and K. Hussain for the efficient manner in which they controlled the game. They kept matters well under control without going to extremes, and as a result, an excellent exhibition was not marred by too much whistle as is very often the case.

THE GAME

Souza was called upon in the first two minutes of the game when he cleared with a powerful kick, which Wright picked up to send Fowler away with a beautiful



Pyara Singh, above, led the Colony Interport hockey forward line in fine style against Macau yesterday.

INTERPORT HOCKEY MATCH NEARLY OFF

Fog Prevents Kinshan From Arriving

There were very grave doubts yesterday morning as to whether the Interport Hockey match with Macau would take place. When the Hong Kong team arrived at the wharf at about 9.15 a.m., the "s.s. Kinshan," on which the trip was to have been made, had not arrived owing to the dense fog outside the Portuguese Colony.

Eventually the "Sui Tai" substituted, leaving at 10.30 and a passage was made through the fog, at a snail's pace, Macau eventually being reached at 2.30 p.m.

In addition to the hockey eleven, Mr. L. Tyler and Mr. A. M. Xavier, representing the Hong Kong Hockey Association, T. Wall, reserve forward, and Messrs. G. T. Palmer and K. Hussain, umpires, accompanied the team which was met on arrival by Lt. da Costa, Mr. Laertes da Costa and many other enthusiasts.



Glowing tributes were paid to Lt. F. da Costa, above on the occasion of the Interport Hockey dinner held in Macau last night. Lt. da Costa, who is known as the "Father of Macao Hockey," is leaving for Portugal in about a month's time.

forward pass. The latter, however, bungled his centre. Angelo then went through on his own, but was checked by Gosano. Macao still pressed and following a nice short-passing movement, F. Nolasco just missed with a terrific drive.

After the game had been in progress for 15 minutes, Nerain provided the first real thrill when he sent in a powerful drive from a clever pass by Wright, which was brilliantly saved by Almada.

Wright sent out some beautiful passes to Fowler on the right-wing which very often went begging owing to the latter lying too far into the centre.

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"Y" SWIMMING POOL OPENS TO-DAY



H. G. Lange, above, will once again be available during the coming swimming season and will in all probability again captain the European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Section.

S. CHINA 'B' ELIMINATED FROM SHIELD

POOR SHOOTING IN FRONT OF GOAL

FUSILIERS PLAY FINE SOCCER

The failure of the Chinese forwards to turn to best advantage the numerous opportunities presented them, was the indirect cause of South China "B" being eliminated from the semi-final Round of the Senior Shield Competition, when they lost to the Fusiliers by 4 goals to 2 in a game full of excitement.

Two early goals in quick succession by the soldiers had an unsettling effect on the Chinese team and it was only the brilliant goal-keeping of Wong Wah-guy that prevented the soldiers from increasing their lead, but after Chan Tak-fai had neatly turned a centre for a goal, the game livened up considerably and the soldiers' defence was given a trying time.

The Chinese had as much of the play as the Fusiliers, but they were too wont to dilly dally in front of goal and were invariably robbed. Added to this, Rowlands was in great form in goal. The Chinese relied on their short passing, which was overdone, and Chan Tak-fai never got going.

The Fusilier halves were in brilliant form. Wanklyn kept a close watch on Chan Tak-fai throughout the game and distributed the ball well, while Evans and Taylor, in support, had the Chinese wingers completely bottled up. In the latter stages of the game, Yeung Shui-yick changed places with Ng Pokui and the latter player showed up well sending over on the right-wing, dangerous centres but all to no avail.

The Fusiliers were well served forward, where Sullivan, their leader, had the better of Yau Wah-hing. Talbot was his usual self. He accomplished much work and sent Roberts through on numerous occasions, but the latter, while

BIG PROGRAMME FORECASTED TWO WATER-POLO TEAMS ANTICIPATED

FAREWELL GALA TO R.E.

(By "Crawl")

THE European Y.M.C.A. Swimming Pool will be opened this evening and preparations are already in hand for a bumper season including several inter-Club affairs, and possibly a resumption of the Inter-Club series with the Shameen Swimming Club.

THE EUROPEAN Y.M.C.A. ARE MUCH BETTER OFF FOR TALENT THIS SEASON, AND IN VIEW OF THE FACT THAT SEVERAL VERY SUCCESSFUL GALAS WERE HELD LAST YEAR, IT IS PRESUMED THAT THIS COMING SEASON'S AQUATIC NIGHTS WILL BE ON A MUCH LARGER SCALE AND WITH POSSIBLY MUCH MORE ENTRIES.

The Men's Section will be well catered for and it is sincerely hoped that the Boys' Section (Junior members) will be allowed to swim with the men in order to facilitate training arrangements. At the moment these arrangements are very much in the air, but it is hoped to revive water-polo and to attempt to run senior and junior teams.

K.C.C. INTRA CLUB CRICKET MATCH DRAWN

The challenge game between the senior and junior elevens of the Kowloon Cricket Club, was played at King's Park yesterday and resulted in a draw. There was a decided superiority of bat over ball, only six wickets falling in the course of the day.

First Eleven: 188 for 3 dec. (E. C. Fincher 94, D. J. N. Anderson 24, E. F. Fincher 49 not out).
Second Eleven: 141 for 3 (K. M. Baxter 79, W. L. Mackenzie 34 not out).

W. A. REED'S OMISSION FROM ENGLAND XI

We are given to understand by Lieut. N. W. Metcalfe, R.A., the England hockey representative, that W. A. Reed, the Colony Interport centre-half, was not dropped from the England intermediate line, but had asked permission to be placed among the reserves as he was not very keen to play.

showing a good turn of speed was too inclined to take a shot at goal when a judicious centre might have brought better results.

Wheeler and Keating were prominent with their clearances and covered each other well.

The Fusiliers took the lead through Sullivan, who beat Wong Wah-guy from close in. Shortly after, Hughes increased the lead, from a corner kick taken by Coakley. A raid by the Chinese right wing eventually found Chan Tak-fai in possession, and after beating three defenders he sent in a low drive into the net.

In the second half, Hughes scored for the Fusiliers with a neat header and a few minutes later Talbot placed the issue beyond doubt. Just before the final whistle, however, Cheuk Shek-kam reduced the arrears.

Among the seniors the Y.M.C.A. have at their disposal several good men among whom are H. G. Lange, the present swimming captain, W. F. Kerr and R. B. Wood, who have returned from home leave, F. V. Read, R. Goldman, S. A. Fowler, F. Fowler and E. Fowler.

There are several junior swimmers who displayed definite signs of promise last season, and who should make polo players if properly taken in hand. Among these are H. Millington, J. Lephard, A. Keown and N. Booker.

FAREWELL GALA

It is hoped with reasonable training to stage a farewell swimming gala against the Royal Engineers, who will lose the majority of their swimmers during the April trooping period. This depends to a great extent upon the Sappers, who have not had any swimming for nearly four months, but who can put in the necessary training before the end of the current month.

With the majority of counter-attractions such as football, Rugby and cricket nearly over, there should be no question of a clashing of sports, although I hear that several of the "Y" members are in training for the forthcoming Volunteer Athletic meeting.

Other swimming Clubs in the Colony have not yet made any move towards their coming summer programme, but this is understandable in view of the fact that it is much too early yet for any swimming in their reservations and pools, most of which are in the open air.

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it across the entire length of the field for Partab to cut in and net with a beautiful cross-kick.

The teams were:—

Macau:—Almada; R. Rosario and G. P. Lammert; J. Nolasco, Alex. Airoso and Laertes de Costa, F. Nolasco, Alberto Airoso, P. Angelo, H. Rosario and A. Angelo.

Hong Kong:—U. B. Souza; A. E. P. Guest and E. L. Gosano; Spr. Brown, W. A. Reed and J. Gonsalves; S. Fowler, Lt. Wright, Pyara Singh, Nerain Singh and Partab.



Taylor, above, gave a grand display at right-half yesterday for the Fusiliers against South China "B" in the Senior Shield Semi-Final Round encounter which the former won by 4 goals to 2.

COLONY WIN INTERPORT HOCKEY

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Midway through the half, Hong Kong who had found their touch, were having the better of exchanges, the whole defence being featured in some excellent spoiling.

DISALLOWED GOAL

Following a period of midfield play, Nerain netted, following a scramble in front of the Macau goalmouth, but the goal was disallowed for off-side. The first short corner of the match was then awarded against the home team, but proved fruitless. Macau then had their turn and a short-corner against the Colony was cleared. There followed immediately, a movement between Wright, Pyara Singh and Fowler, which resulted in the latter sending in a powerful drive which Almada was a trifle fortunate to deflect around the post.

During the interval, both teams were presented to His Excellency, the Officer Administering the Macao Government Dr. Chrisostomo, Portuguese Inspector General of Colonies.

The opening of the second period resulted in an early thrill, when Wright went through on his own. Almada ran out and kicked the ball off his stick. Hong Kong were continually on the attack and Almada saved a high flick from Nerain in brilliant style, only to be penalised for holding the ball. The resultant short-corner was cleared.

BRILLIANT SAVE

Macau then made one of their occasional "sorties" on the Hong Kong goal and Souza brought off the finest save of the match when he placed his body in the way of a rising drive from F. Nolasco.

The Macau goalkeeper, from this time onward, underwent a trying ordeal and was called upon with regularity to save shots from every conceivable angle, from all members of the Hong Kong forward-line, who were combining in a dazzling manner.

A few minutes from the close saw the only goal of the match scored. The movement which led to it was described by the Hong Kong captain after the match, as the finest he has ever seen. Nerain received in his own half, took the ball almost to the half-way mark, when tackled, passed to Pyara Singh, who in turn passed to Wright, who immediately sent it out to Fowler. The latter sent

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YALE TO MEET SCOTTISH UNIVERSITIES

London, February 6.—Yale University (U.S.A.) have accepted the invitation of the Scottish Universities to visit Britain this year and play a series of contests against the four Scottish Varsities. Yale are the national inter-collegiate champions of the U.S.A., and the team of eight they propose to send will include some of the leading young players in America.

The tour will take place in July or August. After the visit to Scotland the tourists will go to England and the Continent. Their coach is a Scot, Ben Thomson, formerly of Leven.

Oxford Set Up Record For Regatta Course

London, February 9.—The Oxford University crew set up a new record for the Royal Regatta course down-stream at Henley yesterday. They had fast conditions, as the river had risen considerably over the week-end and there was a strong following wind. No changes were made in either the University or Isis crews.

Hodgson made a good start, rowing 9, 17 and 32 in the first quarter, half, and full minute. He dropped to 29 in the second minute, but a 10 off Remenham Club raised

the rate to 30 and this was maintained until the final effort.

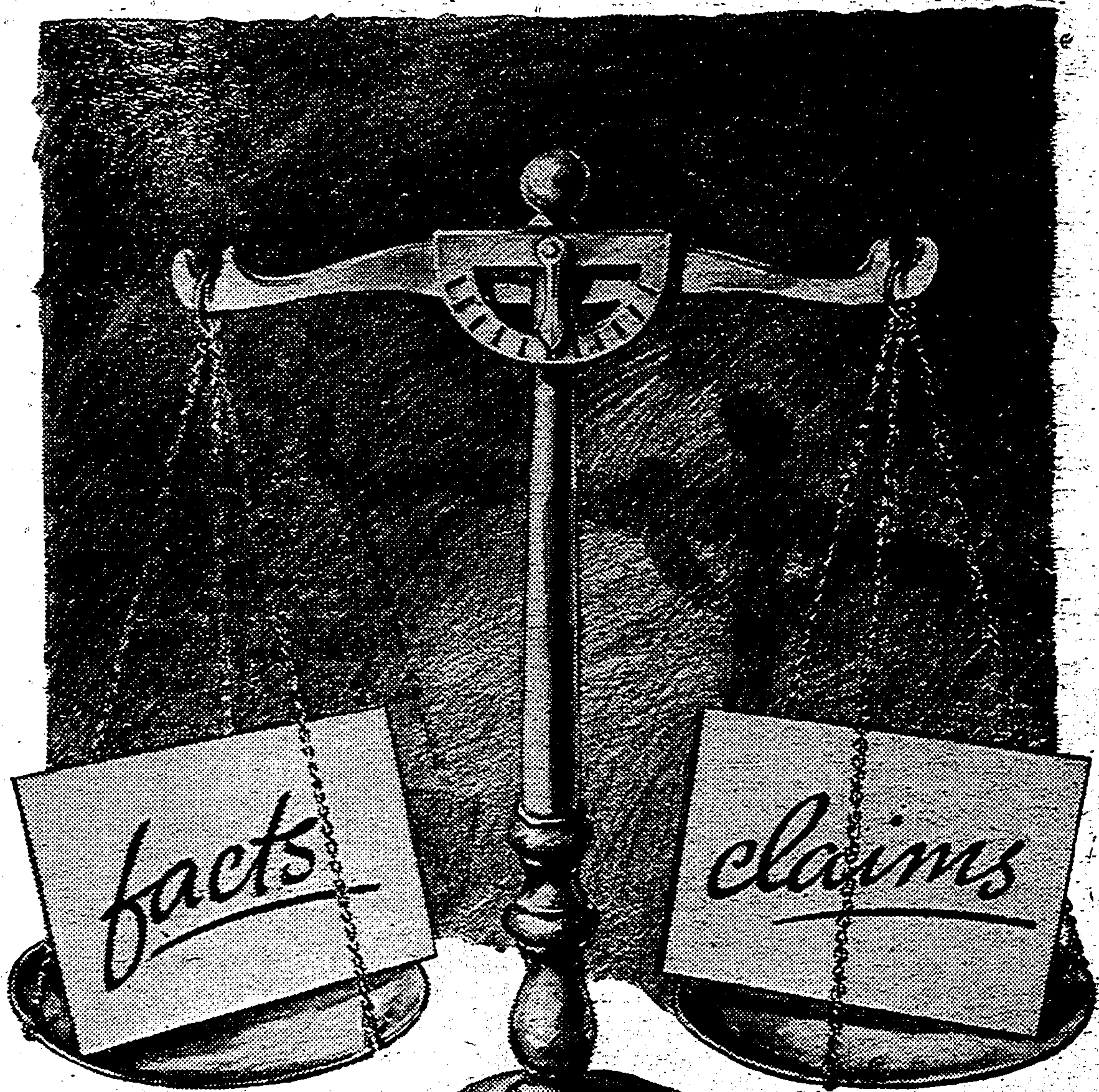
The crew reached Fawley in the very fast time of 2min 50sec, off Remenham Farm Isis were waiting to pace the Varsity to the finish and Winsor let them get a length ahead before spurring after them.

Hodgson worked up the stroke going down Temple Island rowing a half minute at 34 and finishing with a burst at 36 to reach the regatta starting post in 5min 49sec—a new record for the course. It beat the old record by 6sec.

BRADDOCK-LOUIS TITLE FIGHT

Chicago, February 6.—Mike Jacobs, of the Twentieth Century Club, will be a joint promoter with the Illinois Sporting Club of the proposed world heavy-weight title fight between the holder, James J. Braddock, and Joe Louis, here in June.

The chairman of the Illinois Athletic Commission, the ruling body in Chicago, has announced that Braddock will sign articles for a title fight with Louis at a special session of the Commission here on Monday afternoon.



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THE HOCKEY INTERPORT DINNER

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(By "ADREM")

Joviality and a fine spirit of comradeship marked the Interport Hockey dinner held at the Hotel Rivera, Macao, last night. Great tributes were paid to Lt. da Costa, "Father of Macao Hockey," who is leaving for Portugal at the end of the month.

Mr. Tyler, Honorary Secretary of the Hong Kong Hockey Association, in the course of a speech, stated that a shield would be presented, to be played for annually. This shield would bear the name of "da Costa" as it was impossible to think of hockey in Macao without associating with it, this name.

The dinner was presided over by Dr. Jorge, representing the Municipal Council, and he was supported by Lt. F. da Costa, Mr. L. Tyler, Mr. W. A. Reed (H. K. Captain) and Mr. Laertes da Costa, (Macao Captain).

PRESS THANKED

After Dr. Jorge had made an opening speech in Portuguese, Lieut. da Costa paid a tribute to the Hong Kong team for their fine display. There was no doubt in his mind, that the better team had won. He then went on to thank the Hong Kong Press for all they had done to stimulate interest in Hockey. The large amount of publicity given them had been responsible, to a very great extent for the keenness now evident in the Portuguese Colony.

Hong Kong teams were also thanked for their indulgence in making the trip to Macao in the days when the eleven was "the weakest in the world" and it was the regular Sunday visits of these more experienced teams, that had led to the great advance in the standard of Macao hockey.

He went on to thank Mr. G. T. Palmer and Mr. K. Hussain for the efficient manner in which they had umpired the games, and concluded with an expression of regret that he would be leaving them all in such a short while.

"FINEST SEEN"

Mr. Palmer, in reply, complimented the Hong Kong team on their fine showing and expressed his appreciation of the excellent work done by Lt. da Costa for hockey. "I have had the privilege of umpiring all the four hockey games played between the two ports" said Mr. Palmer, "and I can say, without fear of contradiction, that today's game was the finest I have seen."

Other speakers in the course of the evening were, Mr. Laertes da Costa, captain of the Macao team, Mr. W. A. Reed, captain of the Hong Kong team, Mr. G. P. Lammert snr., Mr. G. P. Lammert jun., Mr. Pyara Singh and Press representatives from Hong Kong.

In the course of the evening, Mr. Palmer, on behalf of the winning team, presented to Mr. L. da Costa, a Hong Kong Hockey Association pennant as a souvenir of the occasion and Lt. da Costa performed the same function on behalf of Macao.

SMALL ATTENDANCE AT KWANTI MEET

MISS BERYL FAIR WINS LADIES' RACE

THE MARCH MEETING OF THE FANLING HUNT AND RACE CLUB WAS HELD UNDER DISMAL WEATHER CONDITIONS, AND ALTHOUGH THE RAIN HELD OFF, THE ATTENDANCE WAS VERY POOR, DUE, NO DOUBT, TO THE FACT THAT THE WEATHER IN HONG KONG WAS FAR FROM BRIGHT.

THE FEATURE OF THE DAY'S RACING WAS THE FINE RIDING BY THE MISSES BETTY AND BERYL FAIR WHO FINISHED FIRST AND SECOND, RESPECTIVELY, IN THE LADIES' HURDLE RACE, AFTER MRS. ACKROYD-HUNT HAD SET A GRUELLING PACE FOR THREE-PARTS OF THE RACE.

Dividends were on the small side, the return of \$26.90 (for a place) by Herga (Miss Beryl Fair) being the biggest of the day.

Race 1.—The Fox Hunters' Plate
Mr. Pyfer's Tom Cobley, 168 lbs. (Mr. G. P. Ferguson) 1
Mr. F. C. Minshull-Ford's Loch Ness, 168 lbs. (Mr. Minshull-Ford) 2
Mr. L. C. Marson's Happy Hit, 168 lbs. (Mr. Marson) 3
Won by 10 lengths, many lengths between second and third.
Time: 7.58.
Pari-mutuel: Win \$10.70; Places \$7.10, \$15.50, \$9.20.

Also ran:—Hot Heels (Mr. C. L. Gregory, Mangolia (Mr. E. Nelson), Riceland (Mr. J. K. R. Macgregor) and Susan (Mr. L. J. A. Fielden).

Race 2.—The Fox Hunters' Plate (Division II)
Mr. J. M. Wood's High West, 168 lbs. (Mr. D. Baker-Carr) 1
Mr. J. P. Murphy's The Roundhead, 168 lbs. (Mr. Murphy) 2
Capt. H. B. Harrison's Cassius, 168 lbs. (Capt. Harrison) 3
Won by three lengths, five lengths between second and third.
Time: 8.26.
Pari-mutuel: Win \$12.40; Places \$6.60, \$13.60, \$9.00.

Also ran:—Latitat (Mr. R. C. M. Kelly), Mortmain (Mr. F. G. Nigel), The Gawk (Mr. C. C. Garthwaite).

Race 3.—The Australian Grand National Steeplechase
Mr. H. C. Lee's Brutus, 156 lbs. (Mr. J. B. Jeffreys) 1
Mr. M. M. Watson's Glorious Star, 166 lbs. (Mr. G. P. Rickcord) 2
Mr. R. I. Mackenzie's Lucy Glitters, 154 lbs. (Mr. Mackenzie) 3
Won by six lengths, three lengths between second and third.
Time: 3.57.1.

Pari-mutuel: Win \$10.50; Place \$9.50.

Race 4.—The March Handicap
2 B.F.'s Diogenes, 168 lbs. (Mr. I. C. Harris) 1
Capt. Rybot's Glenshee, 160 lbs. (Mr. P. Hemans) 2
Capt. Gwydr-Jones' Double Chance (Capt. Gwydr-Jones) 3
Won by many lengths, many lengths between second and third.
Time: 4.16.

Pari-mutuel: Win \$6.10, Place \$5.70.
Race 5.—Ladies Hurdle Race
Mr. E. J. Tandy's Jack O' Lantern, 145 lbs. (Miss Betty Fair) 1
Mr. W. O'Neill's Herga, 140 lbs. (Miss Beryl Fair) 2
Mr. A. H. Potts' Mouche, 140 lbs. (Miss Lois Fearon) 3
Won by half-a-length, many lengths between second and third.
Time: 2.25.

Pari-mutuel: Win \$18.50; Places \$3.70 and \$26.90.

Also ran:—Bay of Calamity (Miss E. Baker), Belmont Star (Mrs. Ackroyd-Hunt).

Race 6.—The Chairman's Cup
Mr. H. A. Browning's King's Parade, 168 lbs. (Mr. Browning) 1
Mr. P. de Kok's Racing Strain, 170 lbs. (Mr. L. C. Harris) 2
Capt. J. A. Ackroyd-Hunt's Punch, 168 lbs. (Capt. Ackroyd-Hunt) 3
Won by two-and-a-half lengths, five lengths between second and third.
Time: 7.55.1.

Pari-mutuel: Win \$17.40; Places \$7.20, \$8.00.

Also ran:—King's Worthy (Mr. L. J. A. Fielden).



CASH SWEEPS

Race 1
No. 15 \$185.69
" 215 53.06
" 328 26.53
Nos. 20, 27, 95 and 217 get \$15 each.

Race 2
No. 204 \$207.03
" 77 59.20
" 76 29.60
Nos. 100, 288 and 300 get \$25 each.

Race 3
No. 80 \$279.82
" 126 79.96
" 75 39.98

Race 4
No. 77 \$300.06
" 1 85.72
" 59 42.86

Race 5
No. 58 \$273.56
" 243 78.16
" 314 39.06
Nos. 6 and 187 get \$25 each.

Race 6
No. 137 \$322.98
" 14 92.28
" 155 46.14
No. 101 gets \$25.

RIFLES IN JUNIOR SHIELD FINAL ROUND

The Semi-Final encounter in the Junior Shield competition between the Rifles and South China at Causeway Bay, resulted in a win for the soldiers by the odd goal in five, but the Chinese should have forced a draw.

The game was unfortunately marred by rough tactics on both sides and the referee had occasion to warn several players.

The Rifles scored their first goal through a penalty against Leung Pak-wai, Dodwell making no mistake, and a few minutes later the Chinese right-half had the misfortune to turn the ball into his own goal. Boyd placed the Rifles further in the lead with a good goal before half time.

In the second half, South China reduced the lead through Mok Sui-sin from a penalty, and shortly after Lee Pui-lin scored. Bramwell prevented a draw by stopping a hot drive from Lee Ping-shui.

CAPTAIN'S CUP COMPETITION AT FANLING

The following were the results of the Captain's Cup competition held at Fanling over the week-end:—

A. D. Humphreys with 81—12=69 qualified over the Old Course out of 69 qualifiers. Other scores were:—R. L. S. Webb, 84—14=70; A. Sommerfelt 82—10=72; R. Young 79—6=73; W. J. Key 83—9=74; and N. K. Littlejohn 86—12=74.

T. E. Pearce with a score of 86—18=68, qualified from a field of 68 over the New Course.

QUARRY BAY SCHOOL SPORTS MEETING

The annual sports meeting of the Quarry Bay School will be held on the tennis courts of the Taikoo Club, on Wednesday, March 17, at 11 a.m.

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Owing to the courtesy of King's College, all the Championship quarter-final and semi-final matches arranged by the Hong Kong Badminton Association will be played at the College.

The following is the programme:—
Wednesday, March 10.—Men's Singles (Quarter-Finals):—P. H. Wong v. K. S. Liew; C. E. Chng v. P. K. Hui; T. C. Lee v. A. L. Fisher and J. J. Ong v. M. A. Oliveira.

Tuesday, March 16.—Mixed Doubles (Semi-Finals):—P. K. Hui and Miss U. Khoo v. L. A. Carvalho and Miss C. Silva; S. A. Gray and Miss A. Mackenzie v. M. A. Oliveira and Miss M. Silva.

Wednesday, March 17.—Men's Doubles (Quarter-Finals):—P. H. Wong and C. E. Chng v. A. M. Silva and L. A. Carvalho; F. H. Kwok and S. W. Liang v. P. K. Hui and T. C. Lee; K. S. Liew and K. L. Yong v. H. A. Alves and E. de Souza; J. J. Ong and F. Koh v. M. A. Oliveira and J. J. Remedios.

Tuesday, March 23.—Men's Singles (Semi-Finals).

Thursday, March 25.—Men's Doubles (Semi-Finals).

Competitors are notified that there will be no need for them to make applications for shuttlecocks or to appoint Umpires, as the Sub-Committee appointed will handle all arrangements.

The programme each night will commence at 8 p.m. sharp and all competitors are requested to be ready to play on time.

INTERNATIONAL HOCKEY TOURNEY

Welsh Team Against
Ireland Chosen

The hockey XI to represent Wales against Ireland on the Marina ground at 5 p.m. to-morrow, which includes ten players from the Royal Welch Fusiliers, has been selected as follows:

Fus. Reid; L. Corpl. Palmer and Fus. Wheeler; Fus. Jones, Corpl. Sharpe, Fus. Tucker; Sergt. Dandy (R.W.F.), Sign. Cox (R.C.S.), Fus. Baughan, Captain Gwyder-Jones, and Fus. Roberts (R.W.F.).

Reserves: Sergt. Morgan (R.C.S.) and Fus. Connor (R.W.F.).

JUNIOR BILLIARDS FINAL TO-NIGHT

The final of the Junior Section of the Open Billiards Championship between A. A. Lewis and L. V. Antonio will be played at the Civil Service Cricket Club this evening at 8.30 p.m.



Bryan M. (Bitsy) Grant is here shown holding the Doherty trophy, emblematic of his victory in the fifth annual Miami Biltmore tennis championships. Grant beat America's No. 1 ranking player, Donald Budge, to win the event.

GERMAN GIRL SWIMMER BREAKS RECORD

Copenhagen, To-day.

Miss Martha Geneger, of Germany, who came second in the Berlin World Olympic Games 200 Metres breast-stroke event, yesterday set up a new world mark for the 400 Metres breast-stroke event, clocking 6 mins. 19 2-10 secs. to clip 5 6-10 secs. off the previous best mark standing to the credit of Miss Hideo Mayehata, of Japan, which was established on October 1, 1933.—Reuter.

Trans-Ocean adds that the new mark was recorded during an International contest held yesterday at Copenhagen's Sports Palace.

ENGLAND'S RUGGER XV

London, To-day.

The following have been selected to represent England against Scotland at Murrayfield, Edinburgh, on March 20, in the annual "Calcutta Cup" Match in the International Rugby series:—

H. G. Owen-Smith; H. S. Sever, P. Cranmer, A. N. Other and G. T. Unwin; T. Reynolds and B. C. Cadney; Prescott, Toft, E. Longland; Huskisson and A. Wheatley; Weston, A. N. Other and C. Cook.

H. D. RUMJAHN SHOULD SECURE VICTORY TO-DAY

Postponed Tennis
Ties For To-day

NG SZE-KWONG TO STAGE COMEBACK

To-day's tennis programme will be chiefly confined to rearranged ties. The chief interest in the singles fixtures is the appearance of H. D. Rumjahn, last year's runner-up, who should have little difficulty in advancing to the next round of the tournament at the expense of Luk Chun-chung.

A Crawford is down to meet his club-mate, G. C. Burnett. Crawford, is considered in many quarters to be a coming champion. He has played regularly throughout the off-season and has advanced his game considerably, having now overcome his one-time reluctance to take the forecourt. His volleying nowadays, while not being his favourite means of attack, is very reliable.

In the only doubles encounter, the centre of attraction will undoubtedly be the appearance of the veteran Ng Sze-kwong, who, in partnership with Hon Luen Fung, will meet H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME

Open Singles
R. L. Withington v. P. G. Lee
F. V. Harrison v. Ma Nai Kwong
H. D. Rumjahn v. Luk Chun Chung
A. Crawford v. G. C. Burnett
J. D. Milne v. Leong Ping Chin
Open Doubles
Ng Sze Kwong and Hon Luen Fung v. H. T. Bee and H. Y. Hsu.
Club Championship
L. T. Ride v. W. M. Barton
Club Handicap
G. S. Chambers (+3.6) v. J. C. Pool (+2.6)
R. M. M. King (+3.6) v. J. Thomson (—1.6).

TO-NIGHT'S BADMINTON ENCOUNTERS

'Varsity Teams
Should Win

Three senior division fixtures in the Men's Doubles Badminton League will be played off this evening.

The University "A" and "B" teams will both be seen in action, the former team entertaining the Free Lances, while the "B" will visit the Chinese Recreation Club at Causeway Bay.

The "A" team is certain to register an easy win, but the "B" team will have to go all out against their hosts, who have been strengthened by W. C. Choy.

The Chinese "Y" encounter Recreation "A" at Bridges Street in a return match. The latter combination, though handicapped by playing on a strange court, are favoured to secure the points.

TO-NIGHT'S MATCHES

"A" DIVISION
University "A" v. Free Lances
Chinese E.C. v. University "B"
Chinese "Y" v. Recreation "A"

HEART OF MIDLOTHIAN FINED

The Scottish F.A. fined Heart of Midlothian F.C. £25 for playing James Anderson, a professional with Stoneyburn Juniors, without a proper transfer.

COMPANY MEETINGS

UNION WATERBOAT COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE THIRTY-SECOND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of Messrs. Dodwell & Co., Ltd., Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank Building, on TUESDAY, 23rd March, 1937, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving the report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1936.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 9th March to 23rd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.
Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

THE HONG KONG FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE SIXTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on THURSDAY, the 28th March 1937, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 11th to the 25th March 1937, both days inclusive.

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The First Bell will be rung at 1.30 p.m.

By Order,
C. B. BROWN,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 8th March, 1937.

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Power of Attorney dated the 29th day of March, 1934 given by Mr. Chau Man-chee otherwise Chau Man Chi to Mr. Mok Tat Huen to manage the Imports and Exports Department of the firm of Chau Yue Teng of China Building has by Deed dated the 6th day of March, 1937, been revoked.

Dated the 6th day of March, 1937.

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All claims against the vessel must be presented to the undersigned within 8 days from the date of discharge of cargo, otherwise they will not be recognized.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on the 11th inst. at 10 a.m. by our surveyors Messrs. Goddard & Douglas in the presence of consignees concerned.

In the case of dutiable cargo, consignees are requested to inform the Imports & Exports Office that they have such goods for examination.

No Fire Insurance has been effected. Bill of Lading will be countersigned by

LLOYD TRIESTINO
Queen's Building.
Hong Kong, 6th February, 1937.

COMPANY MEETINGS

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FORTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING will be held at the Company's Offices, P. & O. Building, on THURSDAY, 11th March, 1937, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December 1936 and electing Directors and Auditors.

THE REGISTER OF MEMBERS of the Company will be CLOSED from 27th February to 11th March, 1937, both days inclusive, during which period no Transfer of Shares can be registered.

By Order of The Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hong Kong, 18th February, 1937.

HONG KONG & WHAMPOA DOCK CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of SHAREHOLDERS will be held in the Offices of the Company 2, Queen's Building, Hong Kong, on MONDAY, 22nd March, 1937, at Noon for consideration of the Directors' Report and Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December, 1936.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from 12th to 22nd March, 1937, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,

E. COCK,
Chief Manager.

Hong Kong, 1st March, 1937.

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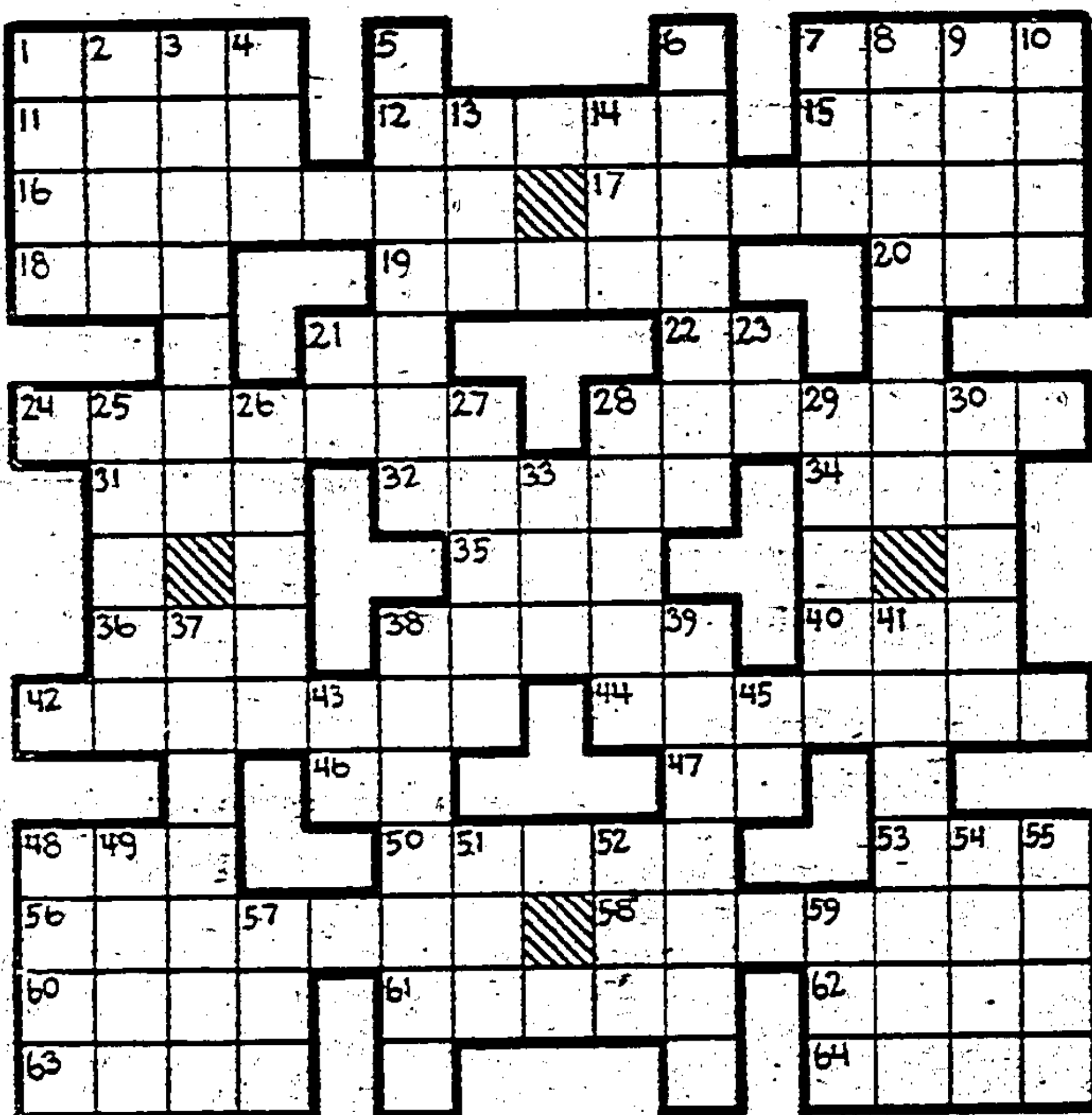
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

This cross-world puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spelling, such as harbor, plow, and altho.



HORIZONTAL

- 1—Stain with ink
- 7—Sacred bull of Egypt
- 11—Odd
- 12—Pools
- 15—A metal
- 16—Native of Italy
- 17—Place in a detached position
- 18—United
- 19—To pass a rope through a hole (Naut.)
- 20—Youth
- 21—Exists
- 22—Egyptian god
- 24—Reached
- 28—Waits upon
- 31—Farm animal
- 32—Peruses
- 34—Confederate States general
- 35—Middle
- 36—Evening (Poet.)
- 38—Fathers
- 40—Kind of lettuce
- 42—Gift
- 44—Agitated
- 46—Preposition
- 47—Act

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 48—Depressed
- 50—Graded
- 53—A compass point (abbr.)
- 56—Relied upon
- 58—Those to whom a lease is granted
- 60—Combining form. Air
- 61—A French sculptor
- 62—Association (abbr.)
- 63—Digits
- 64—Feminine suffix (Fr.)

VERTICAL

- 1—Edge
- 2—Tardy
- 3—Eloquent public speakers
- 4—Combining form. Far
- 5—Scarcer
- 6—Avers
- 7—To cause pain in
- 8—Confection of nut kernels and sugar
- 9—Particle
- 10—Cut (Scot.)
- 13—Unit

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 14—Five hundred four
- 21—Four
- 23—Preposition
- 25—Scarcer
- 26—Islands (Poet.)
- 27—To resign, as an appointment
- 28—A viper
- 29—Choose
- 30—Compact
- 33—Atmosphere
- 37—Fresh green vegetation
- 38—Those who sleep noisily
- 39—Makes dejected
- 41—State of being old
- 43—And (Lat.)
- 45—Preposition
- 48—Statute (abbr.)
- 49—Combining form. Mars
- 51—Bustle
- 52—High priest (Bible)
- 54—Suffix to form abstract nouns
- 55—Scarf
- 57—Little girl (Collog.)
- 59—So (Scot.)

The solution of the above with a new cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue.

Official Visit Of Gen. Yu Hon-mau

SEAFORTHS PROVIDE GUARD OF HONOUR

STATEMENT ON CHINA'S PROGRESS

His Excellency General Yu Hon-mau, Commander-in-Chief of the Fourth Route Army and Pacification Commissioner for Kwangtung, arrived in Hong Kong from Shanghai this morning in the President McKinley, and paid an official call on His Excellency the Governor (Sir Andrew Caldecott, K.C.M.G.)

General Yu Hon-mau crossed the harbour in the Government launch "Britannia," with his party, and Captain W. J. R. Cragg, A.D.C. to H.E. the Governor, while other Canton officials and Chinese members of the Hong Kong Legislative and Executive Councils embarked on the launch Diana for Queen's Pier.

On arrival, General Yu Hon-mau was met by the Colonial Secretary, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, C.M.G., and the Secretary for Chinese Affairs, Hon. Mr. R. A. C. North.

SEAFORTHS PROVIDE GUARD

A Guard of Honour was provided by the 1st Battalion, the Seaforth Highlanders, who were accompanied by the Regimental Colours and a Pipe and Brass Band.

After inspecting the Guard of Honour, General Yu Hon-mau, accompanied by his A.D.C., and Captain Cragg, proceeded to Government House, followed by other officials.

Among the local Chinese residents who were present were Hon. Sir Shou-Son Chow, Kt, Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., LL.D., Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau and Dr. Li Shiu-fan.

CHINA'S PROGRESS

A prepared statement was issued by General Yu Hon-mau to the Press on board the McKinley.

Members of the party, he said, had recently attended the meeting of the Plenary Session in Nanking. The full attendance illustrated the general feeling of satisfaction throughout China with the Central Government's policies, already declared throughout the Country.

"Everyone is looking forward to the future prosperity of the country with confidence," and he himself was sure that development was proceeding rapidly.

The suggestion submitted to the Session that rice taxes in Kwangtung be abolished for a certain period had been passed to a commission which was investigating the matter.

TO MEET MR. KIRKPATRICK

After the session, General Yu went to West Lake, Hangchow for a short vacation. He is due to leave to-day for Canton, where he will meet Mr. Kirkpatrick, special representative in China of the British Export Credit Guarantee Department.

Included in General Yu's party are: Major-General Chan Min-ng, Major-General Li Yu Wan, Secretary Tang and Councillor Wang.

NATIVE UNREST IN TUNIS

Paris, To-day.

General Guillon, French commander-in-Chief in Tunis, arrived here yesterday accompanied by a large staff of high officials of the French administration in Tunis, in order to discuss the serious situation which has arisen in the dependency following native disorders.

Immediately after his arrival he had a long conference with the Under-Secretary of the Foreign Ministry, after which he called on the Premier, M. Leon Blum.—Trans-Ocean.

Paris, Later.

General Guillon left Paris for Tunis by plane last night.

Before his departure he had a further lengthy conference with the Premier, M. Leon Blum.—Trans-Ocean.

KWANGSI LEADER RETURNS

Mr. Huang Ho-cho, Chairman of the Kwangsi Government, returned from the Third Plenary Session in Nanking in the Pres. Wilson.

Mr. Huang is proceeding to Canton where he will make friendly calls on the authorities.

In an interview with local pressmen he said that the Kwangsi Provincial Government had filed two petitions at the Session both of which had been approved. The first was in regard to the development of trade and three railway loop-lines, namely, Canton to Sang Tau, Yunnan to Tang Yi and Yunnan to Luenchow.

CHAN CHAI-TANG TO RETURN IN JUNE

Messrs. Huang Lun-shue and Lin Yick-chung, Commissioners of Education and Civil Affairs for Kwangtung in General Chen Chai-tang's time, have returned to Hong Kong after six months' tour of Europe. It is learned that General Chen himself will be back in June, and that the Nanking Government will appoint him to the National Economic Council.

Among the passengers who arrived this morning on the s.s. President McKinley were Mr. Julian Arnold, Commercial Attache to the American Embassy in Peiping, General Chan Chak, who commands the Bocca Tigris Fort, and General H. W. Chen, in charge of the South China Aviation Forces.

Fan-yet.

Several ex-officials of the Chinese Government were among the large crowd which assembled to greet the General.

Gen. Huang Well Again

General Huang Mo-sung, the Governor of Kwangtung, has recovered from his slight illness and is coming to Canton from the Chungfa District to-day to meet General Yu Hon-mau, Pacification Commissioner of Kwangtung and Mr. Huang Ko-cho, the Governor of Kwangsi.—Our Own Correspondent.

GERMANY AND COST OF PATROL

New Spanish Control Plan Difficulty

LISBON CHANGES ATTITUDE

London, To-day.

The decision to recommend March 13 as the final date for operation of the control scheme to prevent arms and volunteers reaching Spain, was made at a 10-hour meeting of the non-intervention sub-committee yesterday.

The decision will come before the full non-intervention committee at 11 o'clock this morning for final adoption.

The committee will then consider the detailed report of the sub-committee on the control scheme adopted yesterday.

Chief point of the scheme which is still not finally settled, is payment by Germany of her 16 per cent. share of the total cost, amounting to £2,000.

Germany has hitherto agreed to pay only £2,000 in foreign currency and the remainder in reich-marks.

SCHEME ENDANGERED

Lord Plymouth, chairman of the committee, yesterday declared that Germany's refusal endangered the whole scheme, as Great Britain and the other great powers concerned are not prepared to pay unless all the great powers concerned pay in "usable currency."

Portugal has now withdrawn her objection to Russian merchantmen entering Lisbon to take on control observers.—Trans-Ocean.

RADIO PICTURE SERVICE

To Link China And Japan

Projects for the creation of radiophoto circuits between Japan and points in China and in Europe will be studied as one of the first tasks of the new International Communications Co.

The firm will be created by the merger of the Japan Wireless Co. and the Japan International Telephone Co., semi-official firms holding franchises for radio telephone and telegraph communications between Japan and foreign countries.

The new company will also expand its services to give Japan direct radio telegraph communication with 23 countries and telephone facilities with 13. At present only seven international telephone circuits are available, while Japan lacks direct radio communication with Hong Kong, Egypt and Australia.

These improvements are designed to bring the nation's international communications facilities up to a level where no inconveniences and delays will be felt during the 1940 Olympic Games.

A law authorising the merger of the two companies will be introduced in the present session of the Diet.

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KOWLOON GOLF CLUB HONG FOURSOMES

The following were the results of the Second Round of the Hong Foursomes played over the Kowloon Golf Club course during the past week-end:—

J. McKelvie and J. R. Leitch (Kowloon Docks) beat W. Groves and C. E. Terry (Kowloon Godowns) 5 and 4.

F. C. Barry and E. O. Murphy (H.K. and S. Hotels) beat F. E. Booker and W. Shaftain (H.K. Police) 5 and 3.

J. D. Thomson and T. E. Paton (Dairy Farm Co.) beat R. K. Collings and W. C. Simpson (H.K. Government) 3 and 2.

E. W. Loveless and A. Read (Wilkinson, Heywood and Clarke) beat W. A. Stewart and A. H. Brown (Davie Boag and Co.) 3 and 2.

RAIN STOPS M.C.C. MATCH

Sydney, To-day.

The M.C.C. against the Combined Universities was unable to start before lunch owing to rain.—Reuter.

SCOTLAND HOCKEY XI FOR TO-MORROW

The following have been selected to represent Scotland against England in the International Hockey tournament to be played to-morrow afternoon:—

Spr. Howlett (R.E.); R. Henderson ("Y") and S. MacNider (C.B.A.); Sgt. Meeks (Sea.); Capt. S. S. J. Ritchie (Sea.) and Cpl. Cunningham (Sea.); L/Cpl. Aberdeen (Sea.); Sgt. Dunn (Sea.); Flight Lieut. Wallace (R.A.F.); Austin ("Y") and E. MacNider (St. A.); Reserves: 2nd/Lieut. Douglas, Blacker, J. T. K. Gilchrist (Club) and Pte. Mackenzie (Sea.).

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